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—GOETHE TO CARDINAL PREUSKER.

Andrew.

London
2 Feby 1795.

We got safely to London, since which
I have received two letters from you.

I wish James Bryan had taken £32
for the Chaise horses; but he had not authority
to sell them. That offer, however, fixes their
price; and I must have it, or at least
30 guineas. I do not approve of your
going to Glasgow to take the chance of
selling them and the mare for which
I must have 20 guineas. I think David
Murdock who sold me them, may get
them off for me. You must find out what
price the lad Arthur sold the poney at, and
get the half of what it was more than 6 guineas.
I never agreed that there should be a delay
till my return.

I left six bottles of Mountain standing
in the Family bed room, for Miss Fannie Boswell
which if not yet sent to her you will take care
to send. He is to have from me instead of Miss Fannie
a Bond of Annuity for £9. to commence in
October

JAMES BOSWELL.

The First Page of one of the Autograph Letters in the Collection.

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1975 **ADAMS** (JOHN QUINCY, 1767-1848). President of the United States.
AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO RICHARD FORREST.

1 page, 4to. St. Petersburg, 1/13 June, 1811. **£1 10s**

Written whilst minister to St. Petersburg, and requesting Forrest to deliver some letters in Washington.

He concludes:—

“ . . . Accept my thanks for your Congratulations upon my appointment, which I have however found myself under the necessity of declining.”

1976 **ADDISON** (JOSEPH, 1672-1719). Essayist, Poet and Statesman.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HIS FRIEND AMBROSE PHILLIPS, AUTHOR OF THE “PASTORALS.”

2 pp., 4to. London, 10th March (170 $\frac{3}{4}$).

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. I).

£28

A remarkably fine literary letter concerning his correspondent's famous “Pastorals,” and as to their insertion in Tonson's “Miscellany.” Condemning the generality of current English poetry;

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Addison (Joseph)—*continued*.

and referring to two proposed plays by Rowe, also to one by Dennis, "Liberty Asserted," then already staged.

" . . . your two Pastorals with the translation of an ode out of Horace by myself did not come soon enough to be inserted in Tonson's last miscellany which was published some time before I came to England. Your first pastoral is very much esteemed by all I have shown it to tho the best Judges are of opinion you should only imitate Spencer in his beautys and never in the Rhime of the verse for there they think it looks more like a bodge than an imitation, as in that line—*Since chang'd to heaviness is all my Glee*. I am wonderfully pleas'd with your little Essay on Pastoral in your Last, and think you very just in the Theory as well as in the practical part. Our poetry in England at present runs all into Lampoon which has seldom anything of true satire in it besides Rhime and Ill nature. Mr. Row has promis'd y^e Town a Farce this winter but it does not yet appear. He has on y^e Stocks a Tragedy on Penelope's Lovers where Ulysses is to be the Heroe. Mr. Dennis has a Tragedy that is now in its first run of Acting. It is called Liberty Asserted and has y^e Whiggs for its patrons and supporters." Etc.

A LETTER IN VERSE.

1977 **ADRIANI** (MARCELLO, 1533-1604). Italian Scholar, Poet and Translator.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN VERSE) TO LUCCA FRANCESCHI.

3 pp., sm. folio. Circa 1579-80.

£7 10s

A very rare autograph Letter. It is written in verse; he says that he is alone in town far from all conversation; he is full of his grief and asks for his friend's compassion; to pass the time he feels he must try and conquer the graces of the Muses. In a few days he will be leaving for Trieste and will visit his friend, meanwhile begs to be remembered to Bonsi and Marsupius, Gianfighalli, Anton Maria Falbini, Pandolfini, etc.

1978 **AINSWORTH** (WILLIAM HARRISON, 1805-1882). Novelist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO NEWMAN SMITH.

3 pp., 4to. London, 15th February, 1835.

£1 5s

A letter of sympathy on the death of his correspondent's father; speaking of his own great financial loss over the failure of John Ebers, the operatic manager; and concluding:—

" . . . I am obliged to work at the rate of a steam engine with my new publication, which is yet very far from completion." Etc.

1979 **AINSWORTH** (WILLIAM HARRISON).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MARTIN TUPPER,
AUTHOR OF "PROVERBIAL PHILOSOPHY."

2 $\frac{1}{4}$ pp., 8vo. Brighton, 2nd December, 1854.

13s 6d

Declining a contribution to the new monthly magazine.

FOR IMPRESSMENT OF NORFOLK SEAMEN.

1980 **ALBEMARLE** (GEORGE MONCK, 1ST DUKE OF, 1608-1670). Parliamentary General and Admiral. Brought about the "Restoration."

IMPORTANT PRIVY COUNCIL LETTER SIGNED BY ALBEMARLE ADDRESSED TO LORD TOWNSHEND, HIS MAJESTY'S LIEUTENANT IN THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK.

1 page, folio. Whitehall, 23rd December, 1664.

SIGNED ALSO by Lauderdale, St. Alban, Berkeley, Edward Nicholas, and other Members of the Council. With Seals. **£5 5s**

An interesting and important letter, requiring the Lieutenant of the County of Norfolk to impress from that County five hundred able-bodied Seamen "the more powerfully to mannage and carry on the present Warr upon the Seas."

England was at war with Holland at this period.

ON THE HIGHLANDERS OF SCOTLAND.

1981 **ALBEMARLE** (GEORGE MONCK, 1ST DUKE OF).

LETTER SIGNED TO CROMWELL'S PRIVY COUNCIL.

2 pp., folio. Edinburgh, 6th April, 1658. With seal.

£3 3s

A most important and interesting letter as to the heathen conditions of the Highlanders of Scotland, and the proposed introduction of the Gospel and education among them.

"His Highness Council here having taken to their consideration the sad estate of the people liveing in the Highlands of Scotland for want of the preaching of the Gospell and Schooles of Learning, for trayning up of youth in Learning and good manners whereby the Inhabitants of those mountaynous places in their Life & whole

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Albemarle (George Monck, 1st Duke of)—*continued.*

demeanors are little different from the most savage & Heathens, which have been the occasion that those people who being ignorant of God, have been led by men and are still ready to be led by their heads unto all manner of mischief. And his Highnes said Council conceiving it their duty humbly to offer to His Highness and your Lordps. what way the Gospell may be propagated and civility furthered amongst those barbarous people. . . His Highnes said Council humbly present that his Highnes & yo^r Ldps. may be pleased to order that certayne small rents and duties paid out of severall lands throughout Scotland in the tyme of Popery unto the mainteyning of Prebendarys, Chaplainrys, Provostrys, Altars, etc., may be disposed for mainteyning ministers in the Highlands and Schools or other pious uses there." Etc., etc.

ON THE "OLD PRETENDER."

1982 **ALBERONI** (GIULIO, CARDINAL, 1664-1752). Prime Minister of Spain under Philip V. Patronised the Pretender to annoy England.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DON JUAN BLASCO Y OROZCO.

2 pp., folio. Campo Rl. de Assiain, 14th July, 1719. **£5 10s**

A letter of great historical interest, concerning the arrangements for the journey of the Old Pretender to the Court of Madrid; and sending 4000 doubloons for the use of "His Majesty."

(Trans.):—"The King of Britain must pass near Valladolid in order to reach the neighbourhood of Madrid, but I do not think he will enter Valladolid. I intend to give His Majesty four thousand doubloons in gold which you will receive with this present letter, so that there is need for you to see him or to employ one of your confidential servants in order to avoid any rumours. You will immediately send orders to the Alcalde of Olmedo that he is to take charge of a carriage which I shall send him from Madrid, which carriage you must make use of for His Majesty, but in order that there shall be neither sign, nor rumour, nor publicity, I think it will be better for the carriage not to enter Valladolid.

"Manage that everything is done without publicity and with the greatest secrecy, being of moment to the Royal service. His Majesty on approaching Valladolid will inform you of the place where he wishes to be seen. The mules which are to be used for His Majesty from Olmedo forward have been provided from Madrid."

ON SOCIALISM.

1983 **ALBERT** (PRINCE, 1819-1861). Consort of Queen Victoria.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO LORD BROUGHAM.

2 pp., 4to. Buckingham Palace, 15th June, 1848. With addressed envelope. **£5 5s**

Concerning the appointment of a Commission to enquire into the theory of socialism. Mentioning Robert Owen the socialist.

" . . . I commit neither Her Majesty nor myself to any expression of opinion upon the subject matter.

" I think . . . it is hardly by the appointment of a Commission to enquire into the Theory of Socialism that we can hope to arrive at a satisfactory result, but that the nature of its principles could alone be tested by their practical adaptation. Such practical experiments have unfortunately hitherto been found to be exceedingly expensive to the Nation which tried them." Etc.

1984 **ALEOTTI** (GIOVANNI BATTISTA, 1546-1636). Called " L'Argenta." Celebrated Italian Architect. Built the Citadel of Ferrara and the great theatre at Parma. Translated the " Pneumatics " of Hero of Alexandria.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE MARQUIS ERCOLE BENTIVOGLIO.

1 page, folio. Albarea, 14th September, 1622. **£10 10s**

A very fine letter of exceeding great rarity.

He is quite willing to place himself at the disposal of the Marquis to advise him respecting the works for the embankment of the Adige, but must obtain the consent of the Papal Commissioners of Ferrara, his present employers.

1985 **ALEXANDER I** (1777-1825). Czar of Russia.

LETTER SIGNED (IN FRENCH).

1 page, 4to. Vienna, 2nd February, 1815. **£2 2s**

Thanking his correspondent for his New Year wishes, and concluding:—

" . . . On my return to Petersbourg I intend to appoint you to a situation conforming with your rank and the zeal which you have always expressed to service."

1986 **ALFONSO** (INFANTE OF SPAIN, 1453-1468). Superseded his half-brother as King of Castile.

LETTER SIGNED "YO EL REY" ("I, THE KING"), ADDRESSED TO DON JUAN PONCE DE LEON, CONDE DE ARCOS. ENDORSED ON THE BACK BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF TOLEDO.

3 pp., folio. Valladolid, 20th September, 1465.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE NO. II).

£42

An important letter, of great historical interest, written by the Infante Alfonso of Castile, who had superseded his half-brother, Henry IV, temporarily as King of Castile.

It is addressed to Henry's great ally, Juan Ponce de Leon, the Conde de Arcos, during the conflict between the two brothers, when Henry was gathering more and more supporters. Alfonso, anxious to deprive his brother of the Conde's powerful assistance, offers the latter "honours and grants and favours to your house," if he will abandon the rallying army of "my predecessor and adversary Don Enrique."

As the brothers were nephews of the Conde, Alfonso endeavours to rouse his loyalty to the late King John II, "my lord and father," and induce the Conde to cease "these scandals." He states that he has heard that Don Rodrigo, the Conde's son, has espoused the cause of Henry IV, and, with his troops, "intends to obstruct my path; but I cannot believe that a son of yours would do such a thing, in view of your oft-avowed loyalty to myself."

He states that news has already reached him of the arrival of Henry's troops at Segovia, "and some have entered the city of Avila, where they attempted to camp—but Pedro Gonzalez and many other knights, and the Archbishop of Toledo fought against them outside the city gates, and killed some of my predecessor's soldiers."

Don Alfonso expresses the pious opinion that God is with him, and will rout his adversary, and sternly recommends the count to throw in his lot with that of the destined victor; adding that "with regard to

Alfonso (Infante of Spain)—*continued.*

Dofia Maria de Mendoça and Fernando de Medina [two staunch supporters of Henry] and any others who are, to your knowledge, desirous of smoothing the erroneous path of my said adversary: I order you to eject them from the city and not to permit them to remain there; and to this end I will instruct the Commendador mayor to comply with your orders."

THE QUAKERS OF MARYLAND, 1707.

1987 **AMERICA. MARYLAND.**

"THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE PEACEFUL PEOPLE CALLED QUAKERS GIVEN FORTH AT THEIR MEETING AT WEST RIVER IN MARYLAND," TO COLONEL JOHN SEYMOUR, REPUDIATING A SCURRILOUS LIBEL.

1 page, folio. 11th May, 1707.

ALSO LETTER SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED FROM GOVERNOR JOHN SEYMOUR FORWARDING THE ADDRESS TO THE EARL OF SUNDERLAND, AND COMMENTING ON THIS AND ON THE ACT RECENTLY PASSED IN CAROLINA, WHICH HE HAD CONSIDERED PERNICIOUS.

3 pp., folio. Maryland, 16th August, 1707.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE NO. III).

£35

Of considerable historical interest concerning the settlement of Quakers in America: also touching the relationship of Maryland with Carolina, the latter having passed an Act to which the former objected.

The address of the Quakers was called forth by a person named Clark having made use of their phraseology in issuing a scurrilous libel which he intended should be taken as coming from one of them: they however in this Address disconnect themselves entirely from it.

" . . . Wee do humbly take liberty to declare, that that person Clark named in the said written paper and now an outlaw in Rebellion against the Government wee believe is a wicked and ungodly man and all his actions which have been and are continued to be villanous, abusive, rebellious against the peaceable government of this Province. And all his confederates, ayders, assisters and abettors therein we do from our hearts deny, disowne, detest and abominate." Etc.

Governor Seymour in his letter, refers to the Act recently passed in Carolina and states it to be of pernicious consequence to the more

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America: Maryland—*continued*.

useful Plantation of Maryland: he then deals with the man Clark and the Address delivered by the Quakers.

"Upon Richard Clark first going to Carolina he called himself by ye name of Robert Garrett, saying he was Sir Nathaniel Johnsons nephew and pretended to be a Quaker. Since which upon his return to this Province, where he now is conceal'd & harboured by many of his friends, he has wrote several letters to me under a Quaker stile, sticking them up in the night at outhouses and dropping them in the roads. In some he sues for pardon offering to discover the ill-practices of many of his confederates, & in others he threatens to bring thirty thousand of ye French Indians upon the Country by land, and to direct the French to bring a navall force to invade the Country. . . .

"The Chiefs of the Quakers here understanding Clark's practices and that he wrote his letters in their stile presented me with the inclosed Address to which I could not in Justice do less than make the Returns endorsed on the back thereof." Etc.

WITH SIGNATURE OF MATTHEW PRIOR.

1988 **AMERICA. MOHEGAN INDIANS** (1706-7).

LETTER SIGNED BY SIX MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRADE, TO THE EARL OF SUNDERLAND.

1 page, folio. Whitehall, 29th January, 1706-7.

SIGNED by William Legge, 1st Earl of Dartmouth, Sir Philip Meadows, William Blathwayt, Matthew Prior (poet and diplomatist), and two others. **£4 10s**

Bearing the rare signature of Matthew Prior, the poet, and other famous personages of the period. It refers to the sending of a Report on the complaints of the Mohegan Indians.

1989 **AMERICA. NEW JERSEY** (1708-9).

LETTER SIGNED BY FOUR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRADE, TO THE EARL OF SUNDERLAND.

2 pp., folio. Whitehall, 1st July, 1708.

SIGNED by Lord Herbert of Cherbury, Sir Philip Meadows (succeeded Milton as Latin secretary to Cromwell), and two others. **£3 3s**

Relating to the desire of the New Jersey Company that Mr. Lewis Morris (afterwards Chief Justice of New York) might be restored to the Council, from which he had been suspended by the Governor, Lord Cornbury.

Dear Sir

By a Letter that I receiv'd from You about a Week ago I find that one I left for You at Harwich to be put into the packet did not come to Your hands. I told You in it that your two Pastorals with the Translation of an ode out of Horace by my self did not come soon enough to be insert'd in Tonsons last Miscellany ^{wh} was publish'd some time before I came for England. Your first pastoral is very much esteem'd by all I have shewn it to tho the best Judges are of Opinion You should only Imitate Spenser in his beautys and never in the Rhime of the Verse for there they think it looks more like a Bodge than an Imitation. as in that Line - *Since chang'd to heaviness is all my Glee.* I am wonderfully pleas'd with your little Essay of Pastoral in your Last, and think you very Just in the Theory as well as in the practical part. Our poetry in England at present runs all into Lampoon which has seldom any thing of true Satire in it be-
side,

JOSEPH ADDISON.

Autograph Letter Signed.
(Facsimile shows first page).
See Item No. 1976.

PLATE II.

20th July

*Don't make it too
difficult*

Letter Signed.
(Facsimile shows third page).
See Item No. 1986.

Letter Signed.

(Facsimile shows third page).

See Item No. 1986.

1990 **AMERICA. NEW JERSEY** (1708).

LETTER SIGNED BY FOUR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF TRADE, TO THE EARL OF SUNDERLAND, AS TO COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PROVINCE OF NEW JERSEY.

1 page, folio. Whitehall, 8th June, 1708.

SIGNED by the Earl of Stamford, Lord Herbert of Cherbury, Sir Philip Meadows, and one other. **£3 3s**

Concerning an Address from the Lieut. Governor and Council of New Jersey to Queen Anne, complaining of the Proceedings of the General Assembly of that Province; and stating "as the Lord Lovelace is now going over he will be the best able, when upon the place to inform himself of ye matters contained in that Address, and give Her Majesty an Account thereof."

AN EARLY ACT OF CONGRESS.

1991 **AMERICA. NEW YORK** (Congress, 1790).

"AN ACT TO CONTINUE IN FORCE AN ACT PASSED AT THE LAST SESSION OF CONGRESS, INTITLED 'AN ACT TO REGULATE PROCESSES IN THE COURTS OF THE UNITED STATES.' "

A PRINTED BROADSHEET, WITH THE AUTOGRAPH SIGNATURE APPENDED OF THOMAS JEFFERSON AS SECRETARY OF STATE.

1 page, folio. New York, 4th January, 1790. **£5 5s**

An early Act of the federal American Congress, the first Session of which had been held the previous year at New York. It bears the autograph signature of Jefferson as Secretary of State (afterwards third President), he certifying it.

The document is slightly worn in fold, etc., but not affecting the text or signature.

REFUSAL OF QUAKERS TO FIGHT.

1992 **AMERICA. PENNSYLVANIA.**

GOOKIN (CHARLES). Deputy Governor of Pennsylvania.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1½ pp., folio. Philadelphia, 25th July, 1709.

£21

Explaining his inability to raise a quota of men from Philadelphia to serve against the French in Canada, as the Quaker Assembly refused their consent on grounds of religious principles.

" . . . I have used my utmost endeavrs. to prevail with ye Assembly on whome it wholly depended to comply wth. these Commands . . . You will perceive my Lord they excuse themselves on a principle of Religion, wch, as they say, will not suffer them to bear Arms in any case; it were to be wished our Enemies were of ye same opinion, but until they are, such sentmt. I presume will not well consist, with ye necessary duties of Govermt, and therefore I still press on to a compliance to ye utmost of my power. But how unsuccessful soever I have been in this when ever Her Majesty shall be further graciously pleased to lay Her commands upon me or yr. Lordp. have occasion to make known to me, Her pleasr. in anything within my own power, I shall not doubt but it will fully appear, I have not in any case been accessary to this default." Etc.

1993 **ANNE** (1665-1714). Queen of Great Britain.

EXCHEQUER SEAL OF WILLIAM AND MARY USED BY QUEEN ANNE, ATTACHED TO A VELLUM DOCUMENT CONCERNING SIR THOMAS ASTON'S LANDS IN BERKSHIRE.

1 page, large folio. 1703.

£3 3s

1994 **ARGYLL** (ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, MARQUIS OF, 1598-1661).
Negotiated the Peace of Berwick between the Scots and Charles I,
Crowned Charles II in 1661. Charged with high treason and executed
1661.

LETTER SIGNED TO THE LAIRD OF GLENROE.

¾-page, folio. Inverary, 26th July, 1659.

£4 4s

Concerning a difference between his people and Glenroe's servants.

- 1995 **ARGYLL** (JOHN CAMPBELL, 2ND DUKE OF, 1678-1743). Field Marshal. Repulsed Mar at Sheriffmuir.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED, ADDRESSED TO "THE QUEEN."

7 pp., small 4to. Genoa, 14th May, 1711. With wax seals. **£5 5s**

An exceedingly interesting and lengthy letter written to the Queen whilst commander-in-chief of the English forces in Spain. He informs the Queen that he has not obtained the means of restoring his forces to a satisfactory condition, after the losses in previous campaigns, etc.

" . . . when I acquaint your Majesty that at my Arrival here, I found neither Money, nor Credit to subsist your Army, which is starving for want of Pay, being four Months behind of this, not to mention what is due to them on account of former years I hope your Majesties goodness will not interpret me to have been wanting in my duty. . . .

" Your Majesty will see by the Copy of Major General Peppers Letter which I have sent to my Lord Dartmouth, what might have reasonably been hop'd from a timely Supply, and your Majesty will judge how fatal the Consequence must be of an Armys being four Months without pay, shut up in an Enemys Country, as your Majesty's now is." Etc.

- 1996 **ARLINGTON** (HENRY BENNET, 1ST EARL OF, 1618-1685). Member of the Cabal Ministry. Centre of opposition to Clarendon.

LETTER SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED, ADDRESSED TO LORD TOWNSEND, LORD LIEUTENANT OF THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK.

1 page, folio. Whitehall, 28th August, 1666. With wax seal on fly-leaf. **£1 18s**

Asking Lord Townsend to expedite the sending up of the Militia money.

" . . . I am sure there is greate need of it here. Newes is brought us this night that the Dutch fleet is abroad againe and that ours purpose to set saile as this day. One good blow to the Enemy now will happily and gloriously end the war. God send it."

- 1997 **ARUNDEL** (THOMAS HOWARD, 2ND EARL OF, 1586-1646). Diplomatist and Art Collector.

LETTER SIGNED TO SIR NATHANIEL BACON, SIR HENRY BEDINGFIELD, SIR PHILLIP WOODEHOWSE, Etc.

1 page, folio. Arundell House, 18th March, 1616. **£7 10s**

An interesting letter written to the deputy-lieutenants of Norfolk, urging them to "be no lesse carefull to give his Matie. satisfaction in the time of his absence, than heretofore you have showed yo^r selves to be." Mentioning the musters of the troops and referring to the punishing of certain defaulters.

This letter was no doubt written whilst James I was in Scotland, whither he had gone to request the assembly which met at Aberdeen, to adopt five articles concerning the communion on Easter-day.

- 1998 **ATTERBURY** (FRANCIS, 1662-1732). Bishop of Rochester. Imprisoned in the Tower for attempt to restore the Stuarts.

TWO AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO MR. PALMER.

2 pp., 4to. Chelsea, N.D. **£2 2s**

Concerning certain old editions of Aristophanes.

- 1999 **AUCKLAND** (GEORGE EDEN, 1ST EARL OF, 1784-1849). Statesman. FOUR AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO MRS. LAMB.

9½ pp., 8vo. 1821-1846. **£2 10s**

Proposing to take his ailing sister, Miss Emily Eden, to a warmer climate; referring to his visit to Derbyshire, etc. In one letter he writes:

"The Diplomatic Corps is furious with Brougham's speech, and it will be well if he is not ordered to take the Chiltern Hundreds by the next Congress."

- 2000 **AUSTIN** (ALFRED, 1835-1913). Poet Laureate.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED, MARKED "PRIVATE," TO MR. E. PIGOTT, EXAMINER OF PLAYS.

3 pp., 8vo. Ashford, N.D. Circa May, 1879. **15s**

"I want to know if you will read a play of mine, and tell me with the utmost candour what you think of it, strictly from the acting point of view. I want nothing but the bare truth." Etc.

2001 **AUSTIN** (ALFRED).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

4 pp., 8vo. Ashford, 24th December, 1868.

12s 6d

A long and interesting letter as to payment for his writings; giving his own opinion of his literary abilities and mentioning Edmund Yates.

"I think I told you that Mr. Yates said I did wrong to take less than a pound per page. . . . You must remember that I have travelled over the ground I described, which is a much more costly business than reading up a number of books for a paper. Moreover, I do not think that—without wishing to exalt my individual importance—my literary status can allow me to take less than your best paid contributors."

2002 **AUSTRALIA** (Early Settler).

AN INTERESTING SERIES OF 16 AUTOGRAPH LETTERS WRITTEN HOME BY JAMES FYFFE, AN EARLY EMIGRANT FROM SCOTLAND.

Comprising in all some 56 pages, folio, 4to and 8vo. Dated mainly from various places in Victoria, New South Wales, and Queensland, between 1841 and 1860.

ALSO AN AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED FROM WM. A. GRAY TO MRS. FYFFE, OF DUNEDIN, ON BEHALF OF HER SON JAMES FYFFE.

4 pp., 4to. Port Macquarie, 1st February, 1846.

Together 60 pp., folio, 4to and 8vo.

£8 10s

An interesting but most pathetic series of sixteen letters descriptive of the vicissitudes of an Early Australian settler. The correspondence commences with three letters written before leaving the old country, and concerns James Fyffe's proposed journey to the Antipodes, the remainder are dated from various places in Victoria, New South Wales, and from Brisbane.

The letters tell a very sad story of the life of an Australian colonist of the fortys and fiftys. The loss of his capital of £500 by mismanagement; his struggles to maintain himself by cattle and sheep farming,

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Australia (Early Settler)—*continued.*

his attempts at earning a living as a gold miner, and his adventures among the blacks, these and other matters are all graphically set out in the correspondence.

Many of the letters are very lengthy, several being crossed with writing. Typed copies of all accompany.

- 2003 **BAKER** (SIR SAMUEL WHITE, 1821-1893). Celebrated Explorer, Predecessor of Gordon in the work of emancipating the Blacks and of the development of the Egyptian Empire.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED IN FRENCH TO CHERIF PACHA.

4 pp., folio. Tanfikia. 31st August, 1870.

£2 10s

Fine scientific letter. He has just visited the banks of the White Nile, and thinks that the river should be made navigable; 200 soldiers from Khartoum with 5,000 natives (Shillooks) would be able to do the work; there are two dikes, one of which at least must be cleared away; the country of the Shillooks being fertile, he suggests that seeds of the finest cotton plants should be imported there; he also mentions Graffer Pacha and the cessation of the trading of slaves.

TO NELSON.

- 2004 **BALL** (SIR ALEXANDER J., 1757-1809). Admiral. Friend of Lord Nelson.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ADMIRAL LORD NELSON.

4 pp., 4to. "Alexander at Sea," 10th June, 1801.

£2 10s

Congratulating Nelson on his victory over the Danes; also as to the blockade of Malta; a long and most interesting historical letter.

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2005 **BALL** (SIR ROBERT S., 1840-1913). Astronomer and Mathematician.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 8vo. Dublin, 18th July, 1889.

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"Owing to various interruptions the flow of my little articles has been somewhat irregular. I now however send No. 3 & I hope that the others (all of which are in a forward state) will be shortly ready to send."

2006 **BANIM** (JOHN, 1798-1842). Irish Novelist, Dramatist and Poet.
Wrote "O'Hara Tales," etc.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO GERALD GRIFFIN.

3 pp., small 8vo. January, 1829.

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THE NAVAL BATTLE BETWEEN H.M.S. "SEAHORSE"
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" . . . Asser in his Life of King Alfred says that after his sickness at Winchester he went and stayed some time with the King at the Royal Vill called Leonaford. Now I have thought that Leonaford was at Christchurch. It is clear to me that it is British name in Welsh of our day Llionfordd, Llion being the plural of Lli a Flowing or Stream and Llion is often applied to that part of a river over which the Tides flow and ebb, a Fleet, though it seems to be given also to river streams, as I think in Llion, Lyons in France, so ' y Llionfordd ' or ' ye ffordd-y-Llion ' would mean the Road over the Tide streams or the Fleet. Now do you happen to know whether Alfred had a manor (Hâm) at Christchurch, and whether there is a road (now I suppose bridged) over either of the rivers within the reach of the tides? "

" . . . I believe you have hit on the British Llionfordd in Beaulieu. If it was a ' Beau lieu ' to the Norman Kings, I suppose it was also a ' Fair place ' to Alfred and his fore elders of the old Saxon throne-stead Winchester, of course, Christchurch, and every spot of which Christchurch people have to speak to each other by a name, had a name to Britons of the place; and since it cannot be the ' Leonaford,' I believe, as I have ere now thought, that it was the ' Boluelauniam ' of the anonymous Geographer of Ravenna, since I seem to see under the Latin form of the name the British ' Bylalawan ' the Edge or Brink of the water-lily stream. For the Latin Alauna was I believe the Stour river; and ' Alan ' in Welsh is a water-lily." Etc.

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(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE NO. IV.).

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" . . . Did I thinke that all y^r experience of the ruines that the spirit of separation hath brought upon these 3 kingdomes, & the heynous scandalls, had not bin enough to preserve even my brethren that seemed once so temperate & sober from participating voluntarily in the guilt even then when the pleasure and profit of the sin is past. If they would have owned that sin, they would have done it for something, when it was the prospering way & not now when it hath done what it hath done. And do not my brethren know that this is the day of ye peoples temptation to that sin, & y^t sufferings use to stir up passion & blind the judgmt & carry men into extreames. Nay they are become the preachers or defenders of sin y^t grudge at others to reprove it. Is this the fruit of all or afflictions. Do they not know how dolefully it hath prevailed already. In the 3 next great parishes where I live there is scarce one Professor of a multitude (save a few citizens) y^t is not turned to the seekers, & I know not w^t deciding all y^t will sing a Psalm in publicke

Baxter (Richard)—*continued.*

or private, or preach upon a text of scripture! Only in Barnet they are drawne (Anabaptists & all) to endure to heare together in private (except the Quakers that meet by themselves). But even their owne preacher dare not sing a Psalme among them. And the silenced minister of the next great Parish (Hendon) I heare hath but three or foure professors of a multitude that have not all cast off their old pastor (an excellent man) & follow an unlearned ignorant fellow neere me, that only maketh a zealous noise without a text, against Books & Presbyterians, foretelling that God is about to destroy them: and many that seemed excellent sober Christians follow him. And in London where there was one Separatist ten years agoe there is a multitude. And because it crosseth the Prelates, men glory in the peoples sin, even ministers, yt should be against it. . . . If I had heard yt ye ministers & people of those parts had all turned meene Anabaptists, I should have taken it to be but a tolerable change of opinion. I find not myselfe called to write ag^t Anabaptists or any such single lesser error. It was not Anabaptistry nor any other such error of ye late times, yt confounded us; but it was the spirit of Separation, wch uppon every difference made men run away from others." Etc.

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(Trans.):—"During the first months that you were in charge of the affairs of the King, you personally had occasion to know and even appreciate my zeal for the service of his Majesty. Although he may have been disowned since, and scandalously slandered, he always remains the same, and he gave me the task of giving you the following information on the occasion of the death of M. and Mme. d'Antraigues.

"Before the infamous conduct of the Count had determined me to cease seeing him, I had heard him say several times that Mme Blondel had returned to him, and that he had under his key, some papers of the greatest importance which Louis XVI. had entrusted to M. de Malesherbes concerning Louis XVIII., and which this minister, when arrested found means to forward in a sealed envelope to his friend, Mme. Blondel, and, d'Antraigues said, these papers would make one's hair stand on end when disclosed. He has also very often told me that he had in his hands letters of the King, Dunan, Brothier, etc., which revealed abominable plots." Etc., etc.

* * * Count de la Chatre was Louis XVIII's confidential agent in London.

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PLATE III.

To Edward John Raymour Governor of the province of Maryland
The Humble Address of the peaceable people called Quakers, upon petition at their
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In submissive manner sheweth that They having seen a certain paper, -
which began after the following manner, I, Edward Raymour, one of the Justices
of the Peace for the County of Kent in the said Province, have the honor to send you the
said paper and the hidden author thereof the utterly unwelcome, and as they
appeared in our minds that notwithstanding the feigned imitation of Quakers in their words,
the author thereof neither is or ever was of our Society or owned by us. For if I did
put in it the Image of that Innocent, harmless, and peaceable truth and spirit of our
Society, I need the Praise and blessing of God. But it is rather a malicious, seditious, and
to affront authority, a Paccious remote from our Principles and Practice, as the
Editor is some one minded person that Endeavours by ill practice to render the peaceable
people called Quakers, obnoxious to this State and moderate Government. For without the
freely and readily acknowledge it to have and do receive obligatory kindness, protection
in its protecting of us in the peaceable enjoyment of our natural Liberty, inclination
to thank God of blessing him, and also in the free and free enjoyment of the
Law and Liberty of English Subjects. And we humbly take Liberty to declare, that
that person called by named in the said Paccious paper, and no outward and
Rebellion against the Government. It is believe is a wicked and ungodly man
and all his actions which have been and are continued to be, Paccious, abusive
and Rebellious against the peaceable Government of this Province. And also his
Confederates after a fashion and abettors therein. It is our hearts very dis-
please, detest and abominate. And it is altogether Repugnant to his thought, intent
and purpose of our hearts to concern our Sons, citizens, his or his wife account any
way, but truly and heartily desire that he and all his confederates in wickedness and
Rebellion may be brought to Justice. And this we have given forth in true con-
fession for the clearing of the truth of God which we profess in our Paccious and
our Paccious and Rebellious persons and Practices.

Signed by a signum for said Meeting and in the bearing of
the people called Quakers in the Province of Maryland

Rich: Collins
Rich: Mearns
Sam: Potts
Wm: Bickhead
Sam: Harrison
M: Moore

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"The enclosed will prove how successful has been my attempt to serve our poor country woman. I wish it had been otherwise.

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"I have here an Album of Mr. Vertue's, sent me with a note from you long since. I wrote as desired. . . .

"I hope the heat has not disagreed with you. I like it, for it reminds me of dear Italy." Etc.

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED WITH POEM OF FIVE VERSES
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Bloomfield sends the poem on receiving a gift of wild flowers from
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“ And so little flowers ye from Isabel came,
From midst the profusion of Spring!
How fresh are your hues, how I love your wild name!
But O, how I wish you could sing!
Did she pluck ye herself? Then ye mourn for the wound,
And hang in the posture of woe
With eyes of pale yellow cast down on the ground,
While hers are as black as the sloe.” Etc., etc.

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“ I am happy to say that nobody here of consequence ever thought of making
me ministre of war. After 56 years uninterrupted active service in peace and war,
it would be more than foolish of me to finish my carriere with a battle against
windmills like Don Quixote. . . . The most men, which are chosen for our
Reichstag, are an ungrateful and distrustif set of people, who have a pleasure in
shaking the throne and the army. I don't want to have anything to do with them,
except if the Emperor and country were in danger.” Etc., etc.

- 2041 **BOCCAGE** (M. A. LE PAGE, 1710-1802). French Poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO A LADY.

2 pp., 4to. Paris, 15th July, 1773.

£2 10s

A fine specimen of a rare autograph letter. Probably written to Mrs. Elizabeth Montagu, the "blue stocking," and speaking in high appreciation of a discourse she had written on Tragedy.

" . . . nothing is less common than to find a lady so well versed as yourself in antiquity, and able to support her reasons and discuss them as you did in your discourse on Tragedy in a spirit of criticism as just as it is clear.

"I send to my Lord Stormont my very humble thanks for your good and beautiful book." Etc.

- 2042 **BOIVIN** (JEAN, 1663-1726). French Author and Scholar. Keeper of the Royal Library, Professor of Greek in the Collège de France.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MONSIEUR BOUHIER
(MEMBER OF THE FRENCH ACADEMY IN 1727).

4 pp., 4to. N.D., and 1 page of Greek verses.

£5 5s

Very interesting letter eulogising "Les Contes" of Monsieur de la Monnoie (Member of the French Academy) and giving an account of several Greek Manuscripts in the King's library in which he has found the treatise of Isis and Osiris, also in one manuscript which was brought with the Herodotus ten years ago and consequently had not yet been collated. The Abbé de Louvois is not losing sight of the Bescançon manuscripts. The writer is sending a version in Greek verse that he made the Psalm "By the waters of Babylon," which he desires may be given to Monsieur de la Monnoie. (These Greek verses accompany the letter).

- 2043 **BOLINGBROKE** (HENRY ST. JOHN, LORD, 1678-1751). The eminent Statesman, dismissed from Office on accession of George I, fled to France and became Secretary of State to James, the Old Pretender.

16 AUTOGRAPH LETTERS (IN FRENCH) TO MADAME DE FERRIOL.

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Written between 1715 and 1726.

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This is an eminently interesting friendly correspondence, when the famous statesman who had concluded the Treaty of Utrecht, took refuge in France, after the death of Queen Anne. The letters deal with social, philosophical, literary, political and personal items and mention many well-known names, that of Voltaire being amongst them.

Madame de Ferriol, who is the correspondent, was the sister of Cardinal de Tencin and wife of Augustin de Ferriol.

- 2044 **BOLINGBROKE** (HENRY ST. JOHN, LORD).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MM. DE MORACIN AND LABORDE, BANKERS AT PARIS.

2 pp., 4to. Dawley, 10th January, c. 1728.

£2 18s

(Trans.) :—" . . . I await Monsieur, the account which you promised me, and which I require. The last we had from you was of 2 March, 1726, in which there is nothing entered of our revenue of the town since the time you drew a letter of exchange for three thousand livres on 27 March, 1727, on account of a like sum you paid to Galpin by order of M. de Feriole, which letter we have paid as well as of five thousand paid to M. le Marquis de Marlignon of 11 June, 1727." Etc.

- 2045 **BONAPARTE** (ELISA, 1777-1820). Sister of Napoleon I. Grand Duchess of Tuscany, etc.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "E." TO THE MARQUIS OF LUCCHESINI AT FLORENCE.

1 page, 4to. 1st March, 1815. Fine wax seal and address on reverse.

£3 15s

A very fine letter discussing the state of her affairs during the "Hundred Days," when the Bourbon King, Louis XVIII was on the throne of France, and the hopes of the Napoleonic family had not yet been revived by the re-appearance of the Emperor from Elba. The letter is dated on the actual day Napoleon returned to France.

2046 **BONAPARTE** (MME. JEROME; ELIZABETH PATTERSON). Wife of Jerome Bonaparte, brother of Napoleon I.

15 AUTOGRAPH LETTERS (SEVERAL SIGNED) TO LADY SYDNEY MORGAN.

45 pp., 4to and 8vo. Paris, Switzerland and America, 1816-1839.

£25

A most interesting correspondence discussing Lady Morgan's literary work and the reception of her books in France. Referring to her own movements, friends and troubles, and to her son by Jerome Bonaparte, his education, etc.

Elizabeth Patterson was married to Jerone Bonaparte in December 1803, in America; after the wedding Jerome was eager to return to Europe, but his wife and her father implored him to remain in America until his marriage had been recognised in France. In June 1804, M. Pichon, the French consul-general received a dispatch from Talleyrand pointing out that the marriage was contrary to the law of 26 Pluviose Year XI and the union could not be recognised.

In 1805 Jerome and his wife set out for France, but Elizabeth not being allowed to land at the French ports, she sailed for England. On 21st March, by an Imperial decree, the marriage was declared null and in 1807 the marriage between Jerome and the Princess Catherine of Wurtemberg was celebrated with great pomp in the chapel of the Tuileries.

" . . . I have been to see Denon and Md. Houchein. They are both your adorers and express the greatest affliction at your departure. The most agreeable thing you could do for your friends would be to return as quickly as possible. The French admire you more than anyone who has appeared here since the Battle of Waterloo, in the form of an English woman. . . Everyone talks of the work which you are to publish and great expectations are formed from it. I tell everyone that I do not know what will be in it but that I suppose it will be worthy of you. They say that you are devoid of all affectation or pedantry and that you assume less in society than any one ever did who possessed so much reputation.

" In short I can assure you with truth that I never heard any one so much eulogized as you are in Paris. I meet Mde. Suard every week at Mde. de Rochefaucaults. She does not condescend to take much notice of me. I suppose because she thinks I could not understand her wit which by the way is rather obsolete." Etc.

" . . . Your work on France is anxiously expected and if it is what everyone supposes it will be as nothing mediocre comes from you, all those who love you will be highly gratified. . . I have been very ill and very trist, tout m'ennuie

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dans ce monde et je ne sais pas pourquoi unless it be the recollection of what I have suffered. I think the best thing for me to do is to return to my dear child in the spring. I love him so entirely, that perhaps seeing him may render my feelings less disagreeable. I hate the sejour of America and the climate destroys the little health that has been left to me, but any inconveniences are more supportable than being separated from one's children. How much more we love our children than our husbands, the latter are sometimes so selfish and cruel, and children cannot separate their mothers from their affection." Etc.

" . . . I am dying to see your last *publication*, public expectation is as high as possible and if you had kept it a little longer, they would have purchased it at your own price. How happy you must be at filling the world with your name as you do! Mde. de Stael and Mde. de Genlis are forgotten, and if the love of Fame be of any weight with you, your excursion to Paris was attended with brilliant success. I assure you and you know I am sincere, that you are more spoken of than any other person of the present day. Mr. Moore seldom sees me. I did not take with him at all. He called to shew me the article of your letter which mentions the report of the Duke of Wellington's *Loves*. I am not the Mrs. . . . the great man gives as a successor to Grassini.

" You would be surprized if you know how great a fool she is, at the power she exercises over the Duke, but I believe that he has no taste pour les femmes d'esprit; which is however no reason for going into extremes as in this case. He gave her an introduction to the Prince Regent and to everyone of consequence in London and Paris. She had however no success in France where her not speaking the language of the people was a considerable advantage to her since it prevented her nonsense from being heard. Do not tell what I have written to you of this affair; since I should pay for malicious unfriendliness towards my compatriot and relation. She writes to all the paragraphs."

" . . . Mde. Villette gives a great dinner today, at which you would be the most admired guest if you were here instead of losing your time in Dublin where they are not half so enlightened, therefore not so capable of appreciating your talents. Your work on France so long desired by the Public, is it seems like, all other much wished for things, unattainable. Your Friends here are exceedingly disappointed at not receiving it, they have all written, but vainly, to England for a copy. There exists mauvaise volonté on the part of the persons to whom you sold it and they are keeping it on speculation.

" Fragments patriotiques sur l'Irlande traduite par Mde. Esménard, is now in circulation and produces still further excitement for Lady Morgan's France. The Manuscript from St. Helena was not more ardently sought for than your last work, the impatience and disappointment felt at its delay, is greater than you have imagined. I go every week, when well enough, to Mde. la Rochefaucauld's where they are always talking of you. I think the very best thing you could do would be to live in France, where the reputation you have acquired would secure you at all times the most flattering reception. Mde. de Stael is dying, you must come and replace her. With equal talents, you are much younger and better looking. You possess all her advantages besides all your own. I would rather you than any person living; because you have so much to flatter your ambition and self love and you know you owe the whole to your genius. What other woman on earth fixes the attention of the public as you do? or commands in the most elevated condition the same attentions and hommages as yourself? " Etc.

" . . . Your work in France has appeared thro' a French translation in
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Bonaparte (Mme. Jerome; Elizabeth Patterson)—*continued.*

which they have suppressed what they thought best and have arranged what they chose to give the public in the way best suited to their own purposes. I read it cursorily in English as the person who lent it to me could permit me to keep it only 6 hours. It appeared to me like everything you write full of genius & taste, its truths cannot at this moment be admitted here but in all other countries it will have complete success. The violent clamour of the Editors of Paris Gazettes proves that it is too well written, were it an insignificant production they would say less about it. They are publishing it in America where your Fame has been as much extended as in Europe and where your talents are as justly appreciated. . . . Mde. de Stael died regretting life which she had contrived to render very agreeable in every way. Her marriage with Mr. Rocca is thought superfluous, unless it had for object to legitimate a little boy seven years of age, or to give greater poignancy to her subsequent gallantries. The liberal system she perused thro' life, forbids us to attribute other motives to her last matrimonial experiment unless that of tranquilizing the conscience of her young lover may be added to the former. All her most intimate friends were ignorant that a marriage existed and were firmly persuaded that she only *lived* with him and unless her will had substantiated the fact would have treated as a calumny her marriage ceremony. Marrying a man twenty years younger than herself without fortune or Name is a ridicule in France pire qu'un crime. The work on Spain published in the name of Rocca was a marriage present from his generous Bride, since he is said to be too mediocre for a *literary* production of any kind. Her son by him is called one of her posthumous works. What think you of the manuscript of St. Helena being attributed to her, and Benjamin Constant? Is it possible to carry absurdity and the desire of rendering her inconsistent farther. I have heard persons gravely assert that she wrote it." Etc.

" . . . What do you think of Bernadotte being King of Sweden? 'La Sainte Alliance' must have intermitted their devotion to legitimacy etc., when they allowed the Swedish nation to choose their own sovereign." Etc.

" . . . I have not yet been able to procure your work on Italy and expect most anxiously the English copy you have had the goodness to promise to me in your letter to M. de Candelleo. I have seen no reading people this summer, the Genevans being all out of Town, but I hope and trust the Autumn will produce some agreeable society. The English here are busily employed in tracteries de toute espèce, split into coteries who abuse each other very justly. There is a Mrs. — belle soeur to beau — who wishes to marry two daughters fatigued with single blessedness. She has set at variance the whole community and is in return nearly excluded from the acquaintance of any person here. I do not know a better character for one of your works, and could furnish a variety of amusing anecdotes, if you think it worth while to give her a place. She solicited my acquaintance, then became jealous of the attentions shewn me by a young English Lord, wrote clandestinely to his family that he was in danger of being married to an artful dangerous woman, after that protested, she *had not*; made excuses to me, which I declined listening to. I can give you but an imperfect idea of this woman, but if you like I will write you a volume of her intrigues when I have more leisure. I have heard nothing from Italy since your departure, and conclude the Princess has forgotten the whole affair. . . . They may be very happy and are very respectable; I know they are very frigid, having failed to excite a feeling of regard in any one of them, except Mlle. Fabri. I should attribute this to my own inability of producing kindness did I not perceive that I am quite as much liked as other foreigners here. What a stupid letter I am writing you. I am only returned from a tour which filled me with

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spleen and have seen no one to talk to about you. I am dying for your work on Italy. You are a happy woman in every respect, reputation, friendship, admired in all societies, abused, but that you must expect because there can be no superiority that does not excite envy! I reply to some fools that contest your genius as they did Bonaparte's courage. 'I wonder why every one reads Lady Morgan,' or 'why her works sell better than those of any one, or in fact why she fills the mouths of so many.' If you had adopted the Methodist religion as written in favour of despotism, some of your present critics would have elevated you to the skies." Etc.

"... De Stael was ashamed of her Genevan extraction. Rousseau confessed that un si beau pays n'était pas fait pour ses habitants ni les habitants pour le pays. I have paid a short visit to America, aux coeurs bien nés la patrie est chère, which does not mean that one should not prefer the sejour of Paris to that of the dullest place on earth. La Fayette was caressed, adored and substantially rewarded. I saw him in Baltimore and talked to him of you, whom he loves and admired malgré le tems and l'absence. Miss Wright was with him or near him all the time he was in America. I never saw *her*. She intends to write something of which he is to be the *hero*. Why did Moore destroy Lord Byron's memoirs? It was a breach of confidence they were intended for publication. Moore should have refused to receive them at the time, rather than comply now with the desire of Lord Byron's friends or rather his enemies. He has no right to deprive us of an interesting work. We have too few pleasures to lose that." Etc.

"... I have not seen W. Scott's life of Napoleon altho' I have heard there is a translation of it in Florence. I wonder if it really is a translation, or whether it is something they have advertised under that title and which has been written here. What do you think of the changes in the English ministry? I fear they will not affect your Vice-Roi, or the minister here. The latter is very much liked and his recall would grieve us all." Etc.

- 2047 **BONAPARTE** (JOSEPH, 1768-1844). Napoleon's eldest brother. King of Naples and Spain.

LETTER SIGNED TO CHAPTAL, MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR.

1 page, 4to. Mortefontaine (25th May, 1801). £3 3s

Requesting Chaptal to assist Francesco Piranesi the engraver, who had been compelled to take refuge in Paris and who was about to publish a series of coloured engravings.

- 2048 **BONAPARTE** (LUCIEN, 1775-1840). Prince of Canino. Brother of Napoleon I.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN ITALIAN) TO HIS MOTHER, "MADAME MÈRE."

1 page, 4to. Bologne, 31st January, 1823. £2 2s

An important and interesting letter announcing the birth of his daughter Constance, afterwards an Abbess.

2049 **BOSWELL** (JAMES, 1740-1795). Scotch Biographer. Wrote "Life of Johnson."

A MAGNIFICENT COLLECTION OF SIXTEEN AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED BY JAMES BOSWELL ADDRESSED TO ANDREW GIBB.

Extending to some 34 pages, 4to and folio.

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A remarkable and extremely interesting collection of letters written by James Boswell, whilst residing in London, to the overseer of his estates at Auchinleck, and entirely dealing with matters connected with his lands.

Boswell gives his overseer instructions for collecting the rents from his tenants, and as to letting certain of the farmhouses; he refers to the sale of some hayseed, and expresses his concern for his "beautiful holm," a corner of which had been cut off by a new road.

The last letter is dated only three months before Boswell's death.

"Enclosed is a factory to you to receive my rents. The tenants required no authority to be shewn by Mr. Bruce; but they may object to you. You will therefore shew this to any of them who desire to see it. But you need be in no hurry to record it at Ayr which may perhaps not be necessary. You will collect both the half years rents and feudities of the village before the end of this month; but certainly, by the 10 of the next, and you will take care to put what you collect into a safe place, and send every day's collection to the Bank at Ayr, the next morning in broad daylight. I indeed reckon that in three days the whole may be collected. . . . Do not be elated at the trust I give you, for its continuance will depend entirely upon your good behaviour and you will have many spies upon you I dare say." Etc.

" . . . I desire that you may write to me every Saturday were it only to say that nothing new has happened; and you will also write occasionally as any thing may occur." Etc.

Boswell (James)—*continued.*

" . . . It will be very right to have the hayseed sold. From a letter from Mr. Grieve at Muirkirk to Mr. Bruce Campbell, I observe that the iron company has commissioned 1000 stone at 6d. delivered there and will perhaps take 1000 more. You must therefore be very active in getting carts to take it to them at a penny a stone which will be some advantage to the tenants in the way of employment." Etc.

" . . . Send me every month a state of your Receipts of money for me, and disbursements. Mention articles as high as £5. Throw the rest together as Sundries. But let them be separately stated in your book." Etc.

" . . . My son alarmed me about the new road to Catrin, as if it had been injurious to my beautiful holm. But it appears to me from your drawing that it has cut my holm as little as it could except at one corner, where I understand an angle of my holm is disjoined from the rest. Now I think the fairest way would have been to have carried it upon Professor Stewart's ground after it had crossed Whiteflat burn. I see it is carried in a particular way, in order to meet one of the streets of Catrin village. But I have nothing to do with that; and I desire you may let me know if *much* of my holm be disjoined at the corner; because if that be the case, I must object, as the ground so situated would be useless. If it be but a trifle, I can put a few trees into it." Etc.

" I return you the Estimates for Braehead which come very high. Let Mr. Bruce Campbell be consulted. Mr. Brown thought there were too many houses, I think so too. The stable may be let down and the Cothouse turned into a stable, unless he chuses to repair one of them at his own expense. He must pay 7½ per cent. if I slate the dwelling house.

Baillie Gebbie talks nonsense about the Manse Wood. It shall be cut younger next time if I live." Etc.

" . . . It gives me much uneasiness to see so very large an arrear. When my brother received my rents for me, there was not £30 of arrear. To allow tenants to fall behind is ruinous to them." Etc.

" . . . Miller Brown I am resolved shall make me a just indemnification for his shameful abuse of my farm.

Mungo Reid is also one of whom an example must be made so far as the law will allow. Let a process as I formerly mentioned be raised against him, and if possible let him be removed as having deserted his possession. Send me a copy of his Minute, that I may have clearly in my mind what is to be done."

" . . . I must be more cautious as to promising Wood. But I shall always be liberal as well as strict in performing any promise I make." Etc.

ON BYRON.

- 2050 **BOWLES** (WILLIAM LISLE, 1762-1850). Poet. Famous for his Sonnets.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 4to. 14th June, 1825.

£4 10s

Concerning his verses on Lord Byron.

"I have no objection whatever to your friend publishing any verses of mine, but with respect to the lines on Lord Byron, it is necessary to say, that a copy was sent to Messrs. Hurst & Robinson expressly for Mr. Watts . . . it would be unfair to Mr. Watts, to permit these particular verses to be printed by any one else & tho' I have heard nothing from Mr. Watts, Mr. Robinson has requested me to 'withhold the sanction of the publication of Childe Harolds last pilgrimage, in any other work than the Souvenir.' . . . Mr. Moore, I know, has objections to publishing anything in this way."

- 2051 **BOWLES** (WILLIAM LISLE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, sm. 8vo. Salisbury, 8th March, 1836.

£1 1s

"I have carefully re-written the Postscript to Scenes & Shadows, & I hope the printer will find no difficulty in re-printing this part & the introduction to the Poems." Etc.

- 2052 **BRADSHAW** (JOHN, 1602-1659). Regicide. President of the High Court of Justice which tried Charles I. Died in 1659, exhumed at the Restoration, hanged and re-buried at Tyburn.

DOCUMENT SIGNED "JO: BRADSHAWE, PRSIDT."

1 page, folio. Whitehall, 10th November, 1651. With impressed seal.

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Addressed to the Commissioners of the Navy, appointing a Boatswain to the prize ship "Peacock."

- 2053 **BRIGHT** (JOHN, 1811-1889). Orator and Statesman.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO LORD JOHN RUSSELL.

4 pp., 8vo. Reform Club, 8th June, 1855.

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Entirely concerning the conduct of Sir R. Gardiner, Governor of Gibraltar, and as to the appointment of his successor.

" . . . I cannot but express my surprise that a gentleman so evidently unfitted for the duties of his office, should be continued in his office after so many just complaints have been made against him to the Govt. at home." Etc.

- 2054 **BRISTOL** (FREDERICK A. HERVEY, 4TH EARL, 1730-1803). Bishop of Derry.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN FRENCH) ADDRESSED TO "LES FRÈRES PEREGEAUX."

1 page, 4to. Inspruck, 23rd November, 1799.

12s 6d

Sending a letter for General Mack at Dijon, and referring to his captivity in 1798 when he was arrested by the French in Italy and confined for a time in the castle of Milan.

- 2054a **BROGLIE** (A. L. VICTOR C. DUC DE, 1789-1870). French Statesman and Diplomatist.

AUTOGRAPH PROSE PIECE SIGNED.

1 page, 4to. 19th January, 1847.

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An autograph extract from his address on Spanish Marriages, exactly defining the condition of being in one mind and of determining what one wants.

(Trans.) :—" There is nothing so rare in all the world than to be of one mind, there is nothing so difficult as to determine what one wants. I call determining what one wants when the desired thing is resolved upon with all its consequences, with all its conditions good or bad, agreeable or unpleasant. I call being of one mind, the acceptance without grumbling of the inconveniences of the chosen course."

2055 **BROWNING** (ELIZABETH BARRETT, 1806-1861). Celebrated Poet.
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There are varying drafts of some half dozen of the poems, apparently written by Mrs. Browning before final decision on certain words and phrases, or being drafts made by her introducing alternative lines, etc.

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BIRTHDAY ODES.

2056 **BROWNING** (ELIZABETH BARRETT).

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Comprised on 8 pp., 4to. Handsomely bound (with title-page, transcripts, etc., inserted) in full levant morocco extra, lettered on side and back.

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£115

A charming series of four birthday odes, three of which are signed; accompanied by a very beautiful song, all in the autograph of Mrs. Browning, and written by her when a young girl.

The first is addressed "To my dearest Papa on his welcome birthday—May 28th, 1820. Hope End." It comprises 38 lines and is signed at end "Your most affecte. child. Ba."

This is followed by an Ode "To my dearest Mama on her birthday—Hope End—May 1st, 1821. It comprises 34 lines, and concludes:

"And wilt thou then these simple lines approve?
Oh! if thou wilt, my labours are beguiled!
Then sweetly smile with kind parental love
And gently bless the efforts of thy child!!
I seek not laurels! oh! I seek not fame!
Unenvied let the trophic glories blaze!
Affection lingers on a Mother's name,
And only supplicates a Mother's praise!

'My dearest Mama's Own affectionate Ba.' "

The ode to her brother Henry is dated "Hope End—August, 1820," and contains 29 lines. She signs it "Your own affectionate, Ba."

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Browning (Elizabeth Barrett)—*continued*.

The Birthday Ode to her sister is of somewhat pathetic interest, being "written on the prospect of recovering from a dangerous illness." It contains some 18 lines.

The song which follows comprises two verses of 8 lines each:—

" When dark eyes are glancing
And bright smiles are gleaming,
When young Joy is dancing,
There tears will be streaming,
And the smile, and the sigh
Are so linked in the heart—
That I need scarce ask why,
They're unwilling to part." Etc.

2057 **BROWNING** (ROBERT, 1812-1889). Poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO LEIGH HUNT.

2½ pp., 12mo. Devonshire Place, 22nd October, 1856. **£6 6s**

Written to Leigh Hunt on the eve of Browning's departure for Italy, and regretting he was unable to see him before he left England. He hopes to return the following year, and will then see Hunt.

Browning, however, did not return to England until 1861, after the death of his wife, and two years after the death of Leigh Hunt.

Interesting references are made in this letter to Hunt's book of poems, recently published, and also to Mrs. Browning's new book (probably "Aurora Leigh") which was to be ready in a few weeks, etc.

" . . . business kept us both at home. I wish I had neglected business and shaken your hand once again. Next year will not be too late however to repair many omissions, we hope to return, and find you as we found you, just so, except that your health may be amended, and that of Mrs. Hunt restored; nay, I will 'wish' (as gloriously as a child) for more exquisite poems beside, such as those you last gave us, and after that, I pull off the wishing-cap. But of the two blessings, I choose your health, for the poems are done, and effectually.

My wife's new edition will reach you directly; it lay at the publishers', and I reclaimed it, but the paper was thin, the early copy was but a bundle of 'revises.' The new book will follow in about three weeks, and we should be happy indeed if you saw an advance there." Etc.

PLATE V.

// Cortez: //

// or. The Conquest of Mexico. //

+ Opera //

// in three acts //

// Performed at the Theatre Royal Covent Garden //

November 5th 1823.

The whole of the Music

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Georg A. Bristow

MS. The picture to "The Conquest of Mexico" was also written by
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Autograph Musical Manuscript Signed.

(Facsimile shows title-page).

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PLATE VI.

The
 The ship went on with solemn face -
 I met the darkness on the deep
 The solemn ship went onward,
 Against her side I bowed my face.
 The last days' tears the night's sleep
 Had wept mine eyelids downward.

A sweet old hands, sleep on now,
 Whate'er dreams of wandering ships
 Your foster love is making,
 I know the day-smile waits before
 My youngest brother's sleeping lips
 To make you smile awake.

God keep that boyish smile as glad!
 Not right to glad me yesterday.
 But thought to prove tomorrow's
 To make the loving's dream evade!
 For those who love, if dreaming, may
 Love on without the sorrow.

The light of prayer fell from my face -
 As soft as God's reply, the sleep
 Did breach it, floating downward.
 The ship went on with solemn face -
 I met the darkness on the deep,
 The
 The solemn ship went onward.

2058 **BROWNING** (ROBERT).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MISS HICKEY.

1 $\frac{3}{4}$ pp., 8vo. Warwick Crescent, 15th February, 1884. With envelope. **£3 3s**

Concerning "Strafford."

"I have returned the Proofs by post, nothing can be better than your notes, and with a real wish to be of use, I read them carefully that I might detect never so tiny a fault, but I found none, unless (to show you how minutely I searched) it should be one that by 'thriving in your contempt' I meant simply 'while you despise them, and for all that, they thrive and are powerful to do you harm.' The idiom you prefer, quite an authorized one, comes to much the same thing after all." Etc.

2059 **BROWNING** (ROBERT).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE SAME.

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pp., 8vo. Warwick Crescent, 17th December, 1887. With envelope. **£2 15s**

"Tell Professor Gardiner by all means, with the same entreaty for a discretion in the use of the fact. He will understand that I had no notion of scribbling anything but as a rough piece of work which P. might fill up, file away, and make his own: he had no time to do as much in that way as both he and I expected. Etc.

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"When I left the Admiralty to-day they were preparing a Protection for your ship and the moment it is received it will be transmitted with this. I wish you would inform the Gentlemen in the Newfoundland Trade, that protections are preparing also for them, and will be sent witht. delay. Messrs. Noble & Benson are also assured that the Salmon Fishery shall have a ship of Force to protect them and that all things shall be done as you desire. We sat up until two this morning and are now on the House Tax Bill. In a very unhandsome manner early this day and whilst I was settling your business at the Admiralty, they reported in my absence and in that of all the Members of the Northern Ports the Lighthouse Bill on the Smalls. . . . I am very busy and very much fatigued."

ON TRIAL OF WARREN HASTINGS.

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

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Charles II—*continued*.

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2104 **CHARLES X.** King of France.

DOCUMENT TWICE SIGNED, "CHARLES PHILIPPE," WHEN COMTE D'ARTOIS, ON BEHALF OF KING LOUIS XVIII.

1 page, large oblong folio. Paris, 24th November, 1814. Twice countersigned by the Duc de Montmorency. **£1 10s**

An interesting vellum document of the period when Napoleon I was at Elba, conferring the "Order of the Lys" on Pierre L. G. de Chiffreville, an Officer in the National Guard. The document is signed on the front by both Charles and Montmorency, and also signed by both at the foot of an endorsement on reverse.

The Order has very finely engraved emblematical borders.

2105 **CHARLOTTE SOPHIA** (1744-1818). Queen of George III.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HER SON FREDERICK; DUKE OF YORK.

$2\frac{1}{4}$ pp., 8vo. 17th December, 1789. **£5 5s**

Of considerable interest; entirely concerning the extravagances of her son William, who afterwards became William IV.

"I have received a long letter from William, with an indifferent account of his Finances, the state of which he intends to lay before the King. This step he must take for nobody else can assist him, but as he means to ask for an additional allowance which I am clear he will not obtain without giving in a Clear Statement of his Manner of Living of which I believe he understands very little I would wish to have your advice whether it would not be better for me to advise him, not to write until he had consulted with some of the first in his own profession, Gentlemen I mean, about the properest & the most honorable stile of Living on Board his Dear Lovely Ship as he calls it." Etc.

To my dearest
 Papa
 on
 his welcome birthday
 May 28th 1820 - Hope End

The young Morn breathes her first affections
 To low so plaintive and so sweet
 And breathing from the thin grey sky
 The light air lifts her fairy feet.
 The smiles, engagingly serene
 The burst of joy but half-suppress'd
 Danced in that throbbing breast
 In vivid flashes seen —
 Oh why's her aim just that lighter
 Her smile more clouded & more serene
 Why is that eye of rapture brighter
 To-day, than it has been?
 Yes! 'tis his welcome birth who blots
 Her eyes, with this delightful scene
 Who made her sight unclouded not
 The rocks — and hills of verdant green.
 For half her beauties does she owe
 To him for whom those pillars rise
 Who made perennial waters flow
 And warms the living rock, the River!

ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING.

Autograph Manuscript of Birthday.

Ode addressed to her father (from Collection).

See Item No. 2056.

2106 **CHARLOTTE SOPHIA.** Queen of George III.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE BISHOP OF WORCESTER.

1 $\frac{1}{4}$ pp., 8vo. February, 1789.

£1 1s

"When I was last night with the King he enquired anxiously after you. . . He also gave me the sermon for you of Mr. Thomas Willis and ordered me to send it as soon as possible and to express how much he wished to know your opinion of it. I am likewise to introduce this new acquaintance of ours to you, which I shall do by a letter through him." Etc.

2107 **CHASTELLET** (GABRIELLE, MARQUISE DU, 1706-1749). Celebrated writer, great friend of Voltaire.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

3 $\frac{1}{2}$ pp., 8vo. Cirey, 16th December, N.Y.

£5 5s

Interesting letter showing the writer's interest in Voltaire, and speaking of "this prince," (*probably the future Frederick the Great*). Inside was a letter from this prince, which was still more extraordinary and flattering than the first one; he is an amiable man, and will make a singular king. I think you would render a service to your friend (Voltaire) if you would engage Provost to speak of this appreciation of the royal Prince for him in his "Pour et Contre." I should also like it to be published in the "Petites Nouvelles" and "La Gazette."

2108 **CHASTELLET** (GABRIELLE, MARQUISE DU).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER TO M. DE FORCALQUIER.

4 pp., 4to. Paris, 14th September, N.Y.

£3 3s

Amicable letter inquiring whether the regiment of Noailles has indeed gone into winter quarters, and whether the writer may therefore look forward to seeing her correspondent soon. Giving Society news of Mme. D'Autry, Princess de Léon, and of changes in the Opera.

- 2109 **CHATEAUNEUF** (CHARLES DE L'AUBESPINE, MARQUIS DE, 1580-1653). French Statesmen, Ambassador to Holland, Germany, at Venice, and to England. Imprisoned in the Castle of Angoulême till the death of Louis XIII.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO CARDINAL MAZARIN.

1 page, 4to. 22nd April, 1649.

£3 10s

Informing His Eminence that Madame de Chevreuse has sent the writer two letters she has received, one relating to the affairs of Bordeaux, and the other to the arrangements of M. d'Epernon.

- 2110 **CHATEAURENAULT** (or CHATEAU-REGNAUD, FRANÇOIS LOUIS DE ROUSSELET, COMTE DE, 1637-1716). Famous French Admiral. Fought against the Dutch and the English. Landed French soldiers in Ireland in support of James II, and defeated the English in the Bay of Bantry. Governor of Brittany. In 1701 Philip V of Spain gave him the title of Captain-General of the Ocean.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

2 pp., 4to. Brest, 1st April, 1704.

£5 5s

A remarkably interesting letter, written whilst Governor of the Province of Brittany. In it he gives a vivid account of the state of the poorer nobility.

(Trans.):—" . . . I have addressed a letter for the King to Père de la Chaise concerning the rejoicings of the province upon the birth of the Duc de Bretagne, and my own rejoicing in particular. . . .

"I cannot recover from my astonishment at the poverty of the nobility of this province, who are so ill-provided, and so few can muster on horseback, that to make use of them when occasion offers, we must reduce the number by half. The reviews which I have held and caused to be held, have been by no means satisfactory: I see that it will be necessary to choose richer nobles for the militia, the poor nobility engaged therein causing vexations which I shall immediately prevent. I find that by removing fines and reducing penalties to military penalties, and preventing any officer from striking the bourgeois or peasants, everyone will do his duty better. Poverty is greater everywhere than one would believe." Etc.

- 2111 **CHATEL** (TANNEGUY DU). Famous French Warrior. Companion of Joan of Arc. Served at Agincourt, 1415. Burnt Dartmouth. Assassinated John Duke of Burgundy. Honoured by Charles VII, and made Seneschal of Burgundy.

DOCUMENT SIGNED.

1 page, narrow oblong folio (vellum). 4th April, 1448. £10 10s

An exceedingly rare and early document. Châtel certifies that various people had served their offices in the King's castle day and night from Christmas last past to the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

- 2112 **CHAULNES** (CHARLES D'ALBERT D'AILLY, DUC DE, 1625-1698). French Statesman. Three times Ambassador to Rome.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO M. DE LIONNE.

2 pp., 4to. Rennes, 22nd September, 1669. £2 2s

Informing his correspondent of his arrival at Rennes and of his reception there by Parliament.

(Trans.) :—" As I have only been busy having good drinks, I shall not yet give you an account of our affairs but only beg you to allow me the use of what little sense is left to me in order to confirm the assurance of my most humble service."

- 2113 **CHAULNES** (CHARLES D'ALBERT D'AILLY, DUC DE).

LETTER SIGNED TO (COLBERT).

2 pp., folio. Rome, 3rd May, 1667. £1 10s

Very interesting letter pointing out the debts of the Embassy, and asking for money to pay them.

- 2114 **CHERUBINI** (L. M. SALVATORE, 1760-1842). Famous Italian composer.

LETTER SIGNED (IN FRENCH) TO MESSRS. BREITKOPF AND HARTEL, PUBLISHERS IN LEIPSIC.

1 page, 4to. Paris, 30th October, 1833. £2 2s

An interesting letter dealing with the publication of his opera, "Ali-Baba," promising to dispatch the Prologue and the first act as soon as the copyist has returned them and to let the other acts follow by degrees.

- 2115 **CHESTERFIELD** (PHILIP D. STANHOPE, 4TH EARL OF, 1694-1773).
Statesman, Wit and Letter writer.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. FISHER.

$\frac{1}{2}$ -page, 4to. Blackheath, 2nd September, 1769.

£3 5s

"I send you the enclosed letter which I received yesterday from Lord Vernon. The answer that I returned him, was that you was not only my first but my Sole Minister in Derbyshire, and that I must refer the Trustees of the Turnpike to you, and that I would ratify whatever you should do. I don't know why they took it into their heads that I would give them, either a piece of my lands, or £100, for I never said nor thought any such thing."

- 2116 **CHESTERFIELD** (PHILIP STANHOPE, 2ND EARL OF, 1633-1713).
Declined Cromwell's offer of military command. Refused to act as Regent for James II after the Revolution. Friend of Charles Cotton and Patron of Dryden.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE EARL OF DANBY.

1 page, 4to. 21st October, 1681. With seal.

£2 10s

"... I have been all this summer employed in rebuilding of my ruinous house and are now thinking of returning to London the next month where I hope this winter to see a great change in your Lordship's condition, and that your misfortunes will be succeeded by those blessings which have allwayes been desired but could never be promoted." Etc.

- 2117 **CHICHESTER** (THOMAS PELHAM, 2ND EARL OF, 1756-1826).
Statesman.

LETTER SIGNED TO THE HIGH SHERIFF OF SUFFOLK.

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ pp., folio. Whitehall, 24th April, 1802.

£3 10s

Concerning the transportation of female convicts to New South Wales.

"... I am to desire that you will ... furnish me with an account of the names, ages, times of Conviction and sentences of such Female Convicts as are in your custody together with a Surgeon's Certificate of the present state of health of such convicts." Etc.

2118 CHINA. (SIR JOSEPH BANKS).

COLLECTION OF ORIGINAL LETTERS AND REPORTS SENT BY JOHN REEVES, INSPECTOR OF TEA, FOR THE EAST INDIA COMPANY, IN CHINA, TO SIR JOSEPH BANKS, PRESIDENT OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

In all over 90 pp., folio, 4to and 8vo. Circa 1812-16. With various notes in Sir Joseph Banks' handwriting. **£28**

An interesting and very valuable collection entirely on Chinese affairs, being letters and reports sent by John Reeves to Sir Joseph Banks, giving information on Chinese industries, manufacturers, habits, &c.; also papers containing stories concerning mythical Chinese personages.

A number of the reports deal at length with the cultivation of tea, and its preparation for the market, others describe the art of Chinese printing, also the different marks on porcelain ware in which Sir Joseph Banks was interested, and a variety of other Chinese matters.

Included are three letters from friends of Sir Joseph Banks' concerning the reports.

2119 CHUDLEIGH (THOMAS, fl. 1689). Diplomatist. Secretary to the Embassy to Sweden, envoy to Holland.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SIR R. BULSTRODE.

1 page, 4to. Hague, 18th February, 168 $\frac{3}{4}$.

£1 12s 6d

Written from the Hague whilst envoy to Holland.

" . . . here is a talk of Mons. van Bavering should be sent suddainly into France. The States of Holland sate very long on Wednesday but it is not known what passed, onely it is said there were very warm debates & it is thought there may have been some accusations, brought forth agt. ye Deputys of Amsterdam for private intelligence with France, but this is but conjecture, however we are told they are in some consternation att Amsterdam."

2120 CLAIRON (CLAIRE LEGRIS DE LA TUDE, MLLÉ, 1723-1803). Celebrated French Actress. Friend of Voltaire and Dorat.

AUTOGRAPH DOCUMENT SIGNED.

2 pp., 4to. Paris, 22nd April, 1785.

£3 10s

Extremely interesting declaration concerning some natural children

(Continued over)

Clairon (Claire Legris de la Tude, Mlle)—*continued*.

of the Marquis de Valbelle with whom the famous actress had been living for many years. In this document she declares that Mlle Dassement was the mother of three children and "la dame Campionie" the mother of a boy named Cossinini and that, on her intervention the present Count de Valbelle had promised to do all he owed to the memory of his late brother and to look after these four children. He chose them "out of the immense numbers of illegitimate children who had been brought before him," because he was sure they were his brother's children.

2121 **CLAIRON** (CLAIRE LEGRIS DE LA TUDE, MLLE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE FAMOUS PAINTER,
M. DOYEN.

2 pp., 4to. 6th November, 1790.

£3 3s

An interesting letter in which the writer asks why her correspondent feels hurt, as she cannot remember having done or written anything of which he might have reason to complain.

2122 **CLARE** (JOHN, 1793-1864). Poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MESSRS. TAYLOR AND HESSEY, WITH AUTOGRAPH POEM OF SEVEN VERSES OF EIGHT LINES ENTITLED, "HYMN TO SPRING."

Together, 3 pp., 4to. 6th December, N.Y. Circa 1821. £15 15s

An interesting letter sending a poem to Spring, which he thinks worthy of insertion in a magazine, apparently the London Magazine which passed into the hands of Taylor and Hessey in 1821, and mentioning his preference for Wordsworth rather than Crabbe.

"I was concluding my 'winter' last night with an addressing verse to Spring & finding ideas crowd upon me I found a poem must inevitably follow, such as it is you have it. . . . I like Wordsworth better than Crabbe, after all, I can read a poem of the former twice over with added pleasure & feel satisfied with the latter for the first time, & if I take him again my former fondness dwindles to mawkishness but W. W.'s nursery rhymes are ridiculous so much so that reading them gives me

Clare (John)—*continued*.

the itch of parody which I cannot resist. I did one the other day to ease my mind, you may see it in my next."

The poem commences:—

"Thou virgin bliss the seasons bring,
Thou yet beloved in vain,
I long to hail thee gentle spring
And meet thy face again.
That rosebud cheek that sunlit eye,
Those locks of fairest hue,
Which zephyrs wave each minute bye
And show thy smiles anew." Etc., etc.

2123 **CLAUGHTON** (THOMAS LEGH, 1808-1892). Bishop of St. Albans.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO REV. DR. GREGG.

1 page, 4to. Danbury, Essex, 6th November, 1878.

ALSO AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED FROM DR. GREGG TO THE BISHOP OF ST. ALBANS, TO WHICH THE ABOVE LETTER IS THE REPLY.

3½ pp., 8vo. Southend, 5th November, 1878.

12s 6d

Regarding Dr. Gregg's consecration, which the Bishop of St. Alban's asserts, had been derived from a deposed Bishop.

2124 **CLEVELAND** (BARBARA VILLIERS, DUCHESS OF, 1641-1709).

Famous beauty. Mistress of Charles II and notorious for her amours. The Model for Britannia on British coins.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SIR THOMAS DYKE.

2 pp., 4to. 22nd May, 1703.

£16

Entirely in the hand of this most notorious of all Charles II's mistresses, and by whom she had several children, viz.:—(1) Anne, afterwards Countess of Sussex. (2) Charles, Duke of Southampton. (3) Henry, Duke of Grafton. (4) Charlotte, afterwards Countess of Lichfield, and (5) George, Duke of Northumberland. Another child, Barbara, was popularly assigned to John Churchill, afterwards Duke of Marlborough.

In this letter she deplores the condition of her daughter, Lady Sussex, and her children, consequent on the reckless proceedings of Lord Sussex. She entreats Sir Thomas Dyke to use his influence to put a stop to these, otherwise the whole of his estate will be eaten up by his debts and there will be nothing left to provide for the settlement made on Lady Sussex and the children. Sir Thomas Dyke was apparently a Trustee under the marriage settlement.

2125 **CLIVE** (ROBERT, LORD, 1725-1774). Governor of Bengal.

A SERIES OF NINE AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED to Commodore George Wilson, Captain Forrester, Captain Brooke Samson and Mr. Alexander Scott.

13 pp., 4to and folio. Fort William, 1759.

£105

An interesting series of letters stating that Wilson had been directed to consult them upon all operations necessary to be taken against the Dutch, when Mir Jaffier, forgetful of the benefits he had received, and chafing under his dependence upon Clive, induced the Dutch to bring troops to their factory at Chinsura, in the hope of subverting, with their aid, the daily increasing power of the English in Bengal.

The letters bear nine other signatures of East India Company officials.

" Having received advice that the Dutch Ships intend opposing ours in their way up the river, We do hereby direct you to take the command of the three Company's Ships Calcutta, Duke of Dorset, and Hardwicke, and make the best of your way with them to pass the Dutch ships. If they attempt to impede you in your passage, and fire with ball against you to that purpose, it is our positive orders that you use your utmost endeavour to sink burn or otherwise destroy them. If you force your passage, and think You are able to maintain Your station, We would have You anchor as near the Dutch Ships as possible so as to hinder their moving up." Etc.

" We were pleased to find the Honble Company's Ships have pass'd the Dutch Ships without being fir'd on or meeting any opposition. We would now have you station the Ships under your Command near the Batteries at Channoc and Tannah in such manner as not to intercept the fire of those batteries, & if the Dutch Ships attempt to force their passage up the River You are to do your utmost in conjunction with the detachment at those Places to prevent their coming up." Etc.

" . . . We learn with much surprize that the Dutch have landed part of their Troops; but as it is probable the whole are not yet landed, We direct you to get as near as possible to the Dutch ships in order to watch their future motions. You will please to send an officer on board the Commanding Officers of the Dutch Ships and acquaint them that if they attempt to land a single man more, you shall look upon it as an act of hostility and do your utmost to sink & destroy them which you are hereby directed to do accordingly."

" The Dutch Ships having landed their men and being now dropping down the River, there is no further occasion for your remaining in your present station. We

Clive (Robert, Lord)—*continued.*

do therefore direct you to move your Ships down with all expedition, and to get as close as possible to those of the Dutch. You are then to demand immediate restitution of all the Vessels and boats they have seized, together with the Men and Effects belonging to them, and in case of refusal, it is our positive orders that you do your utmost to take or destroy the Dutch & Ships." Etc.

"We have been inform'd from Capt. Stevens at Chanoch's Battery that there has been an action between you & the Dutch Ships, from whence we conclude that they have refused to comply with the demand We order'd Commodore Wilson to make of the Vessels they had seized with their Stores & Effects. If they have submitted, We direct that the English Colors are not on any account hoisted on their Ships, & that their own Men be left on board to take care of them. You must not move their Ships either up or down the river, but lay close to them, and to prevent their attempting to make a further resistance. We recommend it to you to spike up their Guns if you judge it necessary, & in order to prevent any more men being landed, it will be advisable to secure their boats.

We have already sent you orders to be very careful that your people do not plunder any of the effect either public or private of such Dutch Vessels as may be stopt by you in the river, which orders We herein again repeat, & positively direct that You take the utmost care to hinder any embezzlement or plunderings, & that you seal up in presence of the Dutch officers & secure everything till our further Orders." Etc.

"If the Dutch refuse to deliver up the Vessels they have unjustly stopt and seiz'd belonging to us with their Stores & Effects & an action ensues in consequence of our Orders We positively direct you in case any of their ships & Vessels fall into your hands that you do not suffer your people to plunder the Effects found on Board wither Publick or Private but carefully seal up in the presence of the Dutch Officers & secure everything till you receive our further Orders." Etc.

"As we have given directions that hostilities against the Dutch may cease by land we desire that you will stop making any further captures of their vessels or boats, and that you will transmit orders to this purpose to the Commanders of the ships below you." Etc.

2126 **COBBETT** (WILLIAM, 1762-1835). Essayist, Politician, and Agriculturist.

AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT OF "THE BEATING OF BARRISTER FRENCH."

On 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ pp., 4to. "29th September, 1829."

£1 16s

Apparently published in his "Weekly Political Register," as the Manuscript is headed "To begin the Register."

- 2127 **COCCEIUS OR COCK** (JOHANNES, 1603-1669). Dutch Theologian. Founder of the Cocceian party. One of the early Apostles and Preachers of the Millennium. Published the first "complete" Hebrew Lexicon.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO PROFESSOR CHRISTIAN SCHOTANUS AT STERRINGA.

1 page, 4to. Leyden, 11th December, 1666.

£6 10s

Enquiring as to certain privileges of printers.

"Daniel Collonius, my colleague, has asked me to enquire of you what privilege the printer of your Academy has, whether what has been printed by others may be disputed or distributed in the Academy, or whether it is allowable for others to print those things which are to be disputed or distributed in the Academy. Or, if that privilege has not been given to him, whether the custom has been obtained that the printer of the Academy alone should print them? The reason for asking is that the widow Elsevirana, the sister of his wife, has obtained such a privilege which other booksellers and printers deny; on both sides they appeal to the custom of other Academies." Etc.

*** Schotanus to whom this letter is addressed was a famous Dutch scholar and historian.

- 2128 **COKE** (SIR EDWARD, 1552-1634). Celebrated Elizabethan Judge and Law-Writer. A member of the Committee for the Impeachment of Lord Francis Bacon.

A RARE AND VERY FINE AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SIR NATHANIEL BACON, HIGH SHERIFF OF NORFOLK.

1 full page, folio. (1607). With address on fly-leaf and wax seal.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. VIII).

£38

A magnificent specimen of an exceedingly rare holograph letter, written by the great Elizabethan lawyer, Sir Edward Coke, concerning various matters for the Norfolk Assizes.

Sir Nathaniel Bacon, High Sheriff of Norfolk, to whom the letter is addressed, was a son of Sir Nicholas Bacon, the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal.

- 2129 **COLENZO** (JOHN WILLIAM, 1814-1883). Bishop of Natal.
 AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 8vo. Natal, 28th February, 1862.

12s 6d

"I enclose the cheque duly signed.

I return De Wette, as I have this work of his. What I want is another, not translated, I expect." Etc.

- 2130 **COLERIDGE** (HARTLEY, 1796-1849). Poet and Writer. Son of S. T. Coleridge.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THOMAS HOOD.

1 page, 4to. Grasmere, 4th October, 1828.

£2 2s

A most interesting letter offering some "contributions for "The Gem," of which Thomas Hood was the editor.

In the issue for 1829, Hood printed two of Coleridge's poems, "She is not Fair to Outward View," and the sonnet, "It must be so my Infant Love must find," and these, no doubt, were the contributions offered by Coleridge in this letter.

"I hope the trifles I herewith enclose will not be too late, to obtain a place in your miscellany—if you think them worthy of insertion. Should you produce a second number, I may, if my present efforts meet your approbation be a larger contributor. Could you favour me, by informing me who is the present editor of The London Magazine and whether an article or two would be acceptable, or if there be any other periodical in want of journeymen?"

The editor of the London Magazine at this time was Henry Southern. Hood may have effected the necessary introduction; if so, he did it promptly, as the November number of that magazine in 1828 contained Coleridge's "Isabel" (there called Lines on the Death of a Young Lady) and the "Reply."

DEATH OF S. T. COLERIDGE.

- 2131 **COLERIDGE** (HARTLEY).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO — GRAVES, ESQ.

1 page, 8vo. (29th July, 1834).

£1 10s

Written a few days after the death of his father, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, which occurred on 20th July, 1834.

"Since I last saw you I have received intelligence that my revered father is no more. He departed this life at $\frac{1}{4}$ past six on Friday morning last. He had suffered much but died calmly testifying the depth and sincerity of his faith in Christ."

2132 **COLERIDGE** (SAMUEL TAYLOR, 1772-1834). Poet and Prose Writer.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO J. H. FRERE.

1 page, 4to. N.D. Circa 1817.

£10 10s

Concerning his *Literaria Biographia*, published in 1817.

"The copy of my *Lit. Biographia* & Poems not having arrived from Bristol, and having an appointment at 12 o'clock with a man concerning them whom I cannot see on any other day, I have taken the liberty of calling on you at so early an hour to know whether you happen to have the loose sheets in town with you." Etc.

2133 **COLERIDGE** (SAMUEL TAYLOR).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 4to. Highgate, 25th February, 1818.

£7 10s

A very fine letter returning some volumes of Sterne and Swift which he had borrowed, and asking his correspondent to let him know where he could obtain an old folio, Turner on Witch Craft.

He continues:—

" . . . Brerewood's tract begins where I have put in the slip of paper. The first treatise I have never been able to light on; but this is a whole in itself. Byfield's work is interesting only as it leads to the history and origin of the controversy, and as a specimen of the Bigotry and mob-adulation of the Puritans, of that age at least of too many of them. The first great Reformers, nay, Calvin, himself in his best works, breathe a far other spirit, and in a marked degree the Founders and Martyrs of the Church in England, till errors on both sides brought it to be the Church of England as by law." Etc.

2134 **COLERIDGE** (SAMUEL TAYLOR).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO J. H. FRERE.

1 page, 8vo. Highgate (12th January, 1826).

£6 6s

"It is a great delight to me to be any where with you. And more than so, for to you, I can say this secure of the right interpretation. It is a source of strength, and a renewal of hope, and of the hope I most need, viz. : that I am still in a region where the sympathy of some minds can follow me, and have not been trailing after shadows. I shall have much pleasure in availing myself of Lord Hasting's condescension. . . . I expect you on Friday at an early hour, and if I might wish *aloud*, you would have me craving & hoping that you might have a portion of your MSS. with you."

- 2135 **COLMAN** (GEORGE, THE ELDER, 1732-1794). Dramatist. Friend of David Garrick.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE CENSOR OF PLAYS.

1 page, 4to. Piccadilly. N.D.

£1 5s

"Mr. Waldron . . . waits upon you with the play, which I have now revised, with much attention. I have expunged all the passages which struck you as objectionable; and some others: and have altered the conclusion in such a manner that the Piece, in my opinion, cannot be looked upon, now, in any other light than an impressive lesson on morality." Etc.

- 2136 **COLONNA** (ASCANIO, died 1557). General of Charles V., who appointed him in 1520 Constable of Naples. He served under the Prince of Orange at the siege of Florence.

LETTER SIGNED TO DON FERRANTE GONZAGA.

$\frac{1}{2}$ -page, folio. Rome, 18th April, 1550.

£4 4s

Recommendation in favour of Hernando Calderon of the Regiment of Mendoza.

- 2137 **COLUM** (PADRAIC, born 1881). Irish Poet and Journalist. Contributed to the "Irish Review."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 4to. 17th June, 1913.

£1 15s

". . . I am no longer connected with the Irish Review. After the number which is now in the press the Review will be conducted by Mr. Joseph Plunkett.

"Thank you very much for your articles on Art and Life. Mackenna praised them very highly."

2138 **COMBE** (William, 1741-1823). Author of "Doctor Syntax," etc.

AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT (CUT SIGNATURE ADDED) OF A POEM OF THREE VERSES OF SIX LINES EACH, ENTITLED "TO MISS A. GOULDSMITH."

1 page, 4to. 14th February, 1813.

£6 6s

" Say lovely Anna, shall the flame
Which burns within my breast,
Whose active power I cannot name,
Whose heat consumes my rest,
Say shall this tyrant passion prove
The bane of bliss, or source of love.
With that sweet form and native ease,
That animating grace,
That lively smile, which, when you please,
Can gild your charming face;
From ev'ry frown and angry gesture free,
Say, will you kindly please to smile on me!" Etc., etc.

THE COMMONWEALTH "OATH OF ALLEGIANCE."

2139 **COMMONWEALTH OF ENGLAND.**

THE OFFICIAL "ENGAGEMENT" WHICH THE COMMONWEALTH ENFORCED UPON THE NOBILITY, Etc., TO SUBSCRIBE.

This is the one subscribed by Algernon Percy, Earl of Northumberland, and is Certified and Signed by Bulstrode Whitelocke and John Lisle, Commissioner of the Great Seal.

1 page, folio. 3rd May, 1651.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. IX).

£21

"I doe declare and promise that I will bee true and faithfull to the Commonwealth of England as the same is now established without a King or House of Lords."

Algernon Percy, Earl of Northumberland (1602-1668) was Admiral of the Fleet 1636; he became dissatisfied with Charles I's policy, opposed the dissolution of the Short Parliament, and in the Long Parliament gradually drew to the side of the opposition, accepted (1642) a place in the Parliamentary Committee of safety, and endeavoured to promote a reconciliation with Charles I, became guardian of Charles I's

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two youngest children; headed the opposition in the House of Lords to Charles I's trial. Called by Clarendon "the proudest man alive."

Of the two Commissioners of the Great Seal who sign this important Commonwealth declaration, Bulstrode Whitelocke was member of Committee appointed to draw up charges against the King and to consider method of trial, but declined to take any part in proceedings. After Restoration he escaped and lived in retirement.

John Lisle was one of the Judges at Charles I's trial and signed the death sentence. At Restoration fled to Switzerland and was murdered at Lausanne in 1664.

- 2140 **CONDE** (HENRI I. DE BOURBON, PRINCE DE, 1552-1588). Huguenot Leader. Poisoned in 1588.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO M. DE TURENNE.

$\frac{1}{2}$ -page, folio. St. Jean d'Angely, 3rd May, 1578.

£17 10s

(Trans.):—"You will see by the reply which I am presently making to the King of Navarre about what he has written to me and other occasions which present themselves the trouble I am taking to provide for our business, beseeching you to inform me always of what you learn that I may be able to be of use. I will very willingly employ all my life likewise all that I know to give you satisfaction to show the friendship which I have to you on this matter." Etc.

- 2141 **CONDE** (HENRI II, DE BOURBON, PRINCE DE, 1588-1646). Renounced Protestantism and persecuted the Huguenots. Favoured by Cardinal Richelieu.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO M. DE THOU.

1 page, folio. Mailly, 7th October, 1636.

£5 5s

(Trans.):—" . . . You will tell him [Cardinal de la Valette] that M. des Noiers has told me that he has sent him one hundred thousand pounds to be given into the hands of Rose for provisions for his Army.

As to wheat I sent you word that there is some to be had in Romagne, Bese and Fontaine Française which you could have without money, upon your promise; there is also some in all the towns, but without money all will be concealed and be doubled in price. . . . If leaving Chanite the enemy were to come towards Fontaine Français above the Saone, I think you should be beforehand in occupying the quarters of La Vigenne and La Bese, which are Fontaine Française, Mirabeau, St. Seine sur Vingenne, Bese and other towns between these rivers and Pontaillier, otherwise you may be certain that Gallas has his cannon and will take and occupy all these little towns, which are very advantageously placed, and it will not be possible to dislodge them." Etc.

- 2142 **CONDE** (LOUIS I, DE BOURBON, PRINCE DE, 1530-1569). Commanded the Huguenots and was killed at the battle of Jarnac, 1569.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO QUEEN CATHERINE DE MEDICIS.

1 page, folio. N.D.

£12 10s

Expressing his willingness to shed his blood for the sake of his loyalty to her and the King.

(Trans.) :—"Madame there is no need to write a long letter where M. de Gounor and Mon. Dufrère are. I very humbly beseech you to believe them for Madame I beg your Majesty to do me much honour as to believe that I would willingly have shed my blood for the loyalty I have for you. . . I told M. de Gounor . . . what I think the King, and you, Madame, and the King, my brother ought to do . . . but I very humbly beseech your Majesty to be willing to uphold the honour of one who after God will only recognise the King and you and after the King, my brother to whom I wish to render perfect obedience."

- 2143 **CONDE** (LOUIS II, DE BOURBON, PRINCE DE, 1621-1686). Celebrated Military Commander.

LETTER SIGNED (WITH AUTOGRAPH POSTSCRIPT) TO MARSHAL DE BRÉZÉ.

1 page, folio. St. Germain-en-Laye, 18th February, 1649. **£3 10s**

Referring to an affair concerning the Abbaye du Roussay, and asking his correspondent to keep the matter secret until he has sent his power of attorney.

REFERRING TO LORD KITCHENER.

- 2144 **CONDER** (CLAUDE R., 1848-1910). Colonel. In command of the Survey of Palestine.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MR. DIXON.

2 pp., 8vo. Guildford, 30th May, 1877.

£1 1s

On military matters, concerning the Palestine Exploration Fund's map, and Lord Kitchener's work in Egypt, when in 1877 he executed the whole of the survey of Galilee.

" . . . I am very glad to hear that there is some idea of going on with the map. There is at least 4 months' work for two N.C.O. now stored in the bank and without counting what Kitchener brings home.

" I am sorry to see in the Standard that there has been a panic in Jerusalem.

" Kitchener is going rather slow, only half my rate of progress, but this is due to the men being new to the work, and his triangulation seems very good."

I doe declare and promise that
 I will be true and faithfull to the
 Common wealth of England as the
 same is now established without a
 King or House of Lords. /

These are to certify That the Right hon^{ble}
 Algernon^d Earle of Northumberland
 did the 3^d day of May. 1651. att Chelwy
 before us two of the Lords Commission of the
 Great seale of England, whose names are
 underwritten take and subscribe the Engagem^t
 in the words above written

B White Locke
 John Lisle es:

COMMONWEALTH OF ENGLAND.

Oath of Allegiance subscribed by ALGERNON PERCY, EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND,
 and certified and signed by BULSTRODE WHITELOCKE and JOHN LISLE.

See Item No. 2139.

Relacion dello sucedido en san Juan de puerto rico de las yndias con la armada
ynglesa del cargo de francesco draque y Juan a quinze años 25 de nobiembre de 1595 añ.

2 ^{salio} Aviendo de la havana para espania el general sancho pardo y otorgo alos 10 de marzo
deste año con la capitana dela flota de ciencia firme de su cargo en conserva dela armada
de don francisco coloma y abiendo se hallado en la tormenta que corio des en bouda la
canal alos 15 del dho mes en altura vez 3 grados y medio sin arbol mayor non pido.
el timon y la nao haziendo mucha agua apartada delas demas y n poruilitada
deseguir su viaje para saluar las vidas de 300 personas q en ella venjan y
dos millones de oro y plata de su maj. y particularis con acuerdo y pauer del
veador martin romero de caamaño y delos pilotos y demas personas plasticas.
que alli se allaron a riego a puerto rico adonde buen mjlagrosa mente llego alos
9 de abril y alli desembargo y puso la plata en la fortaleza dela ciudad

3 Llego el dho general des pachto asu maj. pumora y segundo aviso haziendo le sauer
sa a ribada para q mandase lo que se oviere de hazer y pauer que la divina pro
metio por secretos suyos q la orden pudiendo ser antes llegase y tiempo q no solo
aseguro la plata sino esta hiena y seria posible todas las yndias por lo q adelante
se oviere a quien se pueden dar muchas gracias si porot dias despues de abir despach
los dhos avisos los hubo de su maj. el gouernador desta ysla pedro xugues coronel en
qui le aviso en q en ynglaterra se a prestaua una guisa armada para venir
agarrar esta ysla en tiempo de ynbierno por pauer q entonces estaua menor
y por el bida entiendo por el general y el dho veador los dhos avisos se sentaron con
el gouernador y con francesco pardo capitán dela ynfanteria deste ^{puerto} y tratado
y con feudo las prebenziones q se oviere azer para seguridad dela hiena y plata
de su maj para q en caso q el enemigo biniese no se a po deate de todo ello fueron
todos juntos a reconocer los ystos y varaderos por donde el enemigo podia a comete
y echar jente en tierra y que en las partes q al general le parecio mando plantar
parte del archilleria de su capitana y ahabitar la nao en la canal del puerto
para q quando viniese el enemigo se echase a fondo y le agarr la entrada pauer
que por alli abia de acometer y lo demas ruego y con esto y un tener la jente
en buena guarida se echó en la pora dela orden de su maj para hazerle viaje

SIR FRANCIS DRAKE and SIR JOHN HAWKINS.

Relacion de lo Sucedido en San Juan de Puerto Rico.

Contemporary Spanish Manuscript Relation of the Exploits of DRAKE and HAWKINS.

See Item No. 2182.

OF IRISH INTEREST.

- 2145 **CONNOLLY** (JAMES, died 1916). Commander of the Irish Citizen Army.

AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT SIGNED, BEING THE COPY FOR THE CONTENTS BILL, ETC., OF "THE WORKERS' REPUBLIC, DATED 17th JULY, 1915.

2 pp., folio and 4to.

£2 10s

Of considerable interest, the "Contents Bill" listing items evidently written with revolutionary intentions, such as—

"Labour Struggles in Ireland."

"Do we dare to be Free?"

Etc.

- 2146 **CONSTABLE** (JOHN, 1776-1837). Landscape Painter.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

3½ pp., 4to. 1836.

£4 10s

Written only a few months before his death. He asks his correspondent to remember him to all his friends, and then continues to speak of his work.

" I am not trying anything large, my last picture is gone to the Bristol Gallery much improved. I was long in getting Mr. Vernon to agree to it. I had a gentleman here from Paris, who would have bought it—the large picture of mine now at Paris, 'The Ford,' the gentleman at Paris would dispose of it, the price he asks is 1000 guineas." Etc.

- 2147 **CONSTABLE** (JOHN).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO E. L. WILLIAMS, ESQ.

3 pp., 4to. Charlotte Street, 23rd August, 1834.

£3 10s

Respecting Williams' appreciation of his pictures, and his wish to purchase the "Lock," and as to giving a lecture on the "History of Landscape."

ON HIS "HOMER," ETC.

2148 **COWPER** (WILLIAM, 1731-1800). Poet.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SAMUEL ROSE.

4 pp., large 4to. The Lodge, 5th February, 1791. **£10 10s**

A long and exceptionally interesting letter as to the subscription list for his translation of "Homer," also concerning certain misadventures befalling a copy of Pope's "Homer" presented to him. "Pope was in consequence, roll'd in the dirt, but being well coated got no damage." He concludes the letter with a very able criticism on the "Odyssey" and his own translation.

"Johnson was not mistaken in the judgment he formed of the Odyssey, and I was. I had supposed it more finished. . . . I could not have believed he was so justly chargeable, with the fault of a too frequent, and, sometimes, a too violent inversion and contortion of Syntax; nor can I otherwise account for its being so, and for my own blindness to the blemish, than by supposing myself, after such long and close study of the original, infected to the very bone with the Grecian manner of misarrangement. In other respects I verily think that I have executed this work well, and that in this respect also it may merit at least my own good opinion. I am now busy in delivering it from all possibility of such objection, in which last labour I have proceeded as far as the 7th Book.

"How has it happen'd that since Pope did certainly dedicate both Iliad and Odyssey, no dedication is found in this first edition of them." Etc.

A few words only are missing where torn by the seal.

ON A BALLOON ACCIDENT.

2149 **COXWELL** (HENRY TRACEY, 1819-1900). Aëronaut. Made some 700 ascents, on one occasion reaching a height of seven miles. Managed War Balloons for the Germans in the Franco-German War, 1870. Established the "Aërostatic Magazine."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DR. CORRY, OF BELFAST.

4 pp., 8vo. N.D. **£4 10s**

A long letter as to a balloon accident by which he and the other passengers nearly lost their lives; the accident being due to malicious damage having been previously done to the balloon.

"'All's Well that ends Well,' and I am sure none of our Aerial party should

Coxwell (Henry Tracey)—*continued.*

be dissatisfied. Had the Valve line broke before so large a quantity of gas had escaped we might all have been killed. . . .

"When I exhibited the Balloon at the Crystal Palace I found the day before leaving for York that some malicious person had cut the upper part of the net work, and the connecting cords of the valve. . . . The consequence was that the strong pull broke them and this, no doubt, was the design of the scoundrel who did it." Etc., etc.

2150 COXWELL (HENRY TRACEY).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DR. CORRY, OF BELFAST.

4 pp., 8vo. Tottenham, 11th July, 1865.

£3 3s

"First, I ascended at Nelson on Thursday, and I ascended yesterday from the Crystal Palace, and I perceive an extract from my letter to Dr. Corry in some of the London papers to-day and this evening; and I am very glad of it because truth will in the long run come out, and it is of importance in my case that it should be so.

"But how [are] the poor fellows who were hurt. How is the intrepid Wilson and the immortal Runge. Tell him he has handed down his name to posterity by being slow. Some are too fast, but he, it appears, was slow and yet sure. . . . But for the valve line and the unsuitable country all would have gone well. . . .

"Last evening we had a pleasant trip of about 25 miles into Essex—Capt. Woodgate, of the 2nd Life Guards, and Mr. R. B. McMahon, related to the illustrious French Marshall (an Irishman by the bye) accompanied me."

*** On the fourth page of the letter there is a stain of about 2 square inches, but the text is quite decipherable through it.

2151 CRABBE (GEORGE, 1754-1832). Poet and Divine.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HIS NIECE CECILIA.

1 page, 4to. Hampstead, 18th October, 1825.

£4 4s

" A gentleman who is going to Chelmsford is gone to Town this morning and means to take for use places in some Suffolk-Coach, one that goes to Ipswich I prefer for then I am within two stages of you & may hope to reach Aldborough in the morning of Thursday, that is by one or two o'clock; two at farthest, so that if I be not at your House by that Time, do not expect me for that Day." Etc.

- 2152 **CRAWFORD** (F. MARION, 1854-1909). Novelist and Historian.

AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT OF A SHORT STORY "THE DOLL'S GHOST."

Contained on 7½ pp., 4to.

£3 3s

Very seldom indeed does any manuscript of F. Marion Crawford come on the market. Each page of the Manuscript has been cut into two or three parts for convenience of the compositors, but has been joined together again.

- 2153 **CREBILLON** (CLAUDE PROSPER JOLYOT DE, 1707-1777). French Satirical Novelist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MONSIEUR VERMEIL.

1½ pp., 4to. With superscription. Paris, 5th May, 1772. £3 10s

Transmitting for Madame Vermeil with her permission "Les Heureux Orphelins," which unfortunately is not completed, and also "Les Lettres Athéniennes."

KING'S EVIL.

- 2154 **CREW** (NATHANIEL, 3RD BARON, 1633-1721). Bishop of Durham.

DOCUMENT SIGNED AS CLERK OF THE CLOSET.

1 page, folio. 1682.

£2 10s

Showing the number of persons who had been touched for the King's Evil, between July 24 and December 23, 1682.

From this document it appears that on three occasions more than three hundred were touched in one day.

- 2155 **CROMWELL** (OLIVER, 1599-1658). Lord Protector of England.

DOCUMENT SIGNED "O. CROMWELL," APPOINTING RICHARD JOHNSON, ENSIGN TO A FOOT REGIMENT UNDER THE COMMAND OF COLONEL RICHARD INGOLDSBY.

1 page (vellum), small oblong folio. 30th June, 1651.

With wax seal.

£19 10s

An interesting Cromwellian document bearing a very fine signature. Colonel Richard Ingoldsby was one of the regicides. As Colonel of a "new model" regiment took part in the storming of Bridgwater and Bristol. Signed Charles I's death warrant under compulsion, as he asserted, 1649. Became a member of Cromwell's House of Lords, 1657. Seized Windsor for Parliament and suppressed Lambert's rising 1659. Pardoned at the Restoration and created K.B.

- 2156 **CROMWELL** (OLIVER).

DOCUMENT SIGNED "OLIVER P."

1 page, small oblong folio (vellum). 3rd April, 1654.

With seal of the Commonwealth affixed.

£14 10s

Signed by Cromwell as Lord Protector, appointing one Samuel Style to be ensign in a company of foot soldiers.

- 2157 **CROOKES** (SIR WILLIAM, 1832-1916). Famous Chemist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO W. WHITE, ESQ., OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

1 page, 4to. London, 26th June, 1875.

7s 6d

"There will be no objection to reducing any of my drawings one-half or more, if necessary. But I should like the reduction to be in each case some definite amount, so that I could put the scale to the drawing if needed.

You know my partiality for woodcuts in the text, over lithos. at the end."

- 2158 **CRUIKSHANK** (GEORGE, 1792-1878). Artist and Caricaturist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO I. WIGHT, ESQ.

1 page, 8vo. Myddelton Terrace, 10th November, 1824. **£3 3s**

"Should you be a coming out to 'feetch a walk' come as far as Pentonville to see yours truly." Etc.

- 2159 **CRUIKSHANK** (GEORGE).

AUTOGRAPH SIGNATURE.

1 page, oblong 8vo. 20th November, 1858.

£1 5s

A very fine Album specimen.

- 2160 **CRUIKSHANK** (GEORGE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "DR. TOM."

1 page, 8vo. N.D.

£1 1s

"I be sorry to be so troublesome, but I did promise to let my friends know *to day* if so be that they might expect to go *to morrow*." Etc.

- 2161 **CRUIKSHANK** (ROBERT, 1789-1856). Caricaturist and Miniature Painter. Brother of George Cruikshank. Illustrated "English Spy," etc.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 4to. Camden Town. 18th January, 1850.

£1 10s

"I am sorry that I have not taken more care of my Notes & Sketches of our talented friend Edmund Kean. But will collect all that can be found, & with a good memory I think something may be done. The prints should be tinted by all means; however we can arrange all that in due time. Catch the hare first (as Mrs. Glass says) & cook it afterwards."

- 2162 **CUDWORTH** (RALPH, 1617-1688). Chief of the "Cambridge Platonists." Prebendary of Gloucester.

DOCUMENT SIGNED.

1 page, 4to. 8th November, 1678.

£1 10s

Granting power of attorney to Walter Kettilby to receive the money due from the Exchequer to Christ's College, and also interest due to Dr. Henry More.

- 2163 **CUMBERLAND** (RICHARD, 1732-1811). Dramatist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DAVID GARRICK.

1 page, 4to. Bath, N.D.

£2 2s

Telling Garrick to act entirely at his own discretion.

- 2164 **CUNNINGHAM** (ALLAN, 1784-1842). Author.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ROBERT SOUTHEY.

2 pp., 4to. Pimlico, 22nd July, 1822.

£6 6s

A most interesting letter, mentioning "two little volumes," which were "Traditional Tales of the English and Scottish Peasantry," and that a second edition of "Sir Marmaduke Maxwell" had been called for.

"In the two little volumes of north country stories of which I request your acceptance it has been my wish to revive something like the old popular desultory way of tale telling once very prevalent among the peasantry. I have interspersed them with songs and ballads for those oral stories had their rhymes also. They are founded generally in traditions with which I became acquainted on the two shores of Solway.

. . . I am far from liable to be gloomy yet there are times when I glance back to earlier days I am almost tempted to cry aloud with Burns 'Had I to gude advice but harkit.' The place which a love of poesie has filled in my heart might have been supplied by some more profitable thing, but I was bred in a lonely place, painting and sculpture seemed something like the work of sorcery and unattainable and as my trade presented nothing to please my ambition I was fain in my twenty first year to woo the more accessible muse of homely country rhymes.

You will be pleased to hear that a second edition of my dramatic story is called for. I have endeavoured to profit by the remarks of some kind friends in
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making amendments. But it is only in trifles that a story can be mended, once wrong and ever wrong, at least the proverb holds good with me. I wish to try another native story, and when once I have made a rough sketch or model I shall endeavour to acquit myself as well as I may, probably something like a dramatic romance in blank verse interspersed with lyrics would be more in my way than anything else." Etc.

- 2165 **DANDOLO** (ANDREA, died 1354). Doge of Venice. Celebrated Venetian and the earliest Historian of his country. Was elected Doge at the early age of thirty-six, and was as much distinguished for his military and political knowledge as for his attainments in literature. Friend of Petrarch.

DOCUMENT SIGNED (IN LATIN).

1 page, long folio (vellum). 20th December, 1353.

£21

Relative to the affairs of Venice.

" I SAW C. LAMB, SPENT A DELIGHTFUL TWO DAYS WITH HIM, COULD HARDLY GET AWAY, AND HAVE PROMISED TO GO THERE SOON AGAIN, WITHOUT A FORMAL INVITATION, WHICH HE HATES."

- 2166 **DARLEY** (GEORGE, 1795-1846). Poet and Mathematician. Edited Beaumont and Fletcher.

FOUR AUTOGRAPH LETTERS (THREE SIGNED) TO ALLAN CUNNINGHAM.

11 pp., 4to and 8vo. Circa 1821-1839.

£31 10s

A remarkable series of letters of intense literary interest, the first of which doubtless refers to Cunningham's connection with the London Magazine, which published a series of papers in continuation of Dr. Johnson's "Lives of the Poets," Cunningham in 1821 being an important contributor to that magazine.

In the remaining letters, which are of equal importance, Darley refers to Charles Lamb; gives a long criticism on Gainsborough's "Blue Boy" and "Cottage Door," which were exhibited at the British Institution in 1834, and sends his pamphlet "Nepenthe" in

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return for eight volumes from Cunningham, being probably his edition of Burns with the "Life."

"I have looked over your lists of Poets, and even had I all my recollections about me, could scarce add another good name to the number. I would perhaps be cruel to congratulate you on knowing so many. Full one half of them, we shall both agree, are less fit for Olympus than the Paradise of Fools. But being compelled to keep square with Johnson, I acknowledge you can scarcely get rid of them. This is the fruit of having to cater for the public swallow. When Leviathan is to be fed, we must heave in bushels of garbage, or the great bathos of his stomach would never feel itself filled. Had we to make our own list, it would be far different. No ingenuity can erect a noble structure on the base of Johnson. Taking so low a standard do what you will the work, if carried out, would be less like the Lives of the Poets than the Lives of all those who ever writ verses. What of good may be done on such a plan I know no one more capable of effecting than yourself, but it is not an employment I fear much more congenial to your tastes than my own.

"You conceive yourself no doubt obliged to exclude from your list all who have never written any but dramatic poetry. Else wherefore omit such names as Marston, Middleton, Haywood, Decker, Webster and others? For my own part I do not see why certain scores of the Ducks and Dukes should not give place to our Early Dramatists, and so furnish out indeed a complete as well as unblotted scroll of British Poets. Johnson's Lives should remain, as the Devil's harangues in Milton, tho' made up of spite, slander, wrong-headedness, bluster, and blasphemy. But they should remain for their abstract merit as glowing ebullitions of the brain, not for what pismire Malone calls them, 'the finest body of criticism in the world.'

"On second thoughts, and finding in what a truck way you must run, do not let me be anywise influential about making you re-write Milton's *Life*, unless you find it advisable yourself. But by all means, and as you would have the serpent at the root of your own laurel destroyed, render Johnson innocuous in your notes on his worst piece of posthumous assassination. I coincide with you against Southey as to the dates."

"I saw C. Lamb, spent a delightful two days with him, could hardly get away and have promised to go there soon again, without a formal invitation, which he hates. He is so devilish idle that I fear much for *all* to whom he has promised contributions. I am however to see the MS. of a play he has lately written, and I was just thinking whether 'A scene from an unpublished play' by C. Lamb, might not be suitable to you. Should you like this? if so I will endeavour to procure it.

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"... With respect to the Gainsborough, of which you especially desire an unsophisticated critics opinion (just to see, I imagine, what a ninny poor nature is, without her governess Art to tell her what she should say on every occasion): with respect to the Gainsboroughs, I had as little difficulty in forming a judgment, any judgment *at all* with respect to many works of more celebrated artists. For example one of Titians in this collection appears to me like a huge square palette of mingled colors: I can make nothing of it: whether it be worthy the inside of a palace or the outside of an alehouse, I have not the most remote idea: perhaps of both, the

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colors of one, and the composition of the other. But as to the Blue Boy, and the Cottage Door, these do not give one the trouble of growing an opinion, it shoots up at once spontaneously. On entering the salon, your eye is immediately caught over your left shoulder by rather a singular object. If you will abide by a canon established by one who has formed a sort of creed in the Fine Arts for himself, any painting which, at first sight, strikes, without striking by an obvious excellence, is in some particular or other *faulty*. There must be something *outré*, or eccentric in it, which takes the attention, not the admiration, prisoner by surprise or stratagem: and everything of this violent nature is a harshness to the taste and feelings. In this principle I am borne out, to my own sensation, by the Blue Boy. Its singularity of costume, being a youthful figure (clad in silvery-azure satin from top to toe, as I have seen a stuffed puppet, strikes, yet does not immediately gratify. One exclaims, how odd! how fantastic! which is the same thing, perhaps, as saying, this rather offends me! But then you reflect, have I never seen a *real* Blue Boy; in other words, have I never seen a little boy in blue coat and trowsers, whom yet I thought (or at least, who might be) a very gallant little fellow? yes; but undoubtedly you would rather have seen him less singularly appparelled. In Gainsborough's time there were, probably, several children of noblemen so dressed on gala-days: but many upon seeing them no doubt observed that their dress was not tasteful, some that it was positively ill-chosen, and to the eye of the painter or a person of delicate taste in color, it must have been disagreeable and even offensive. In like manner, I would say that Gainsborough's Blue Boy was, so far as regards this point, faulty: it rather offends a commonly-educated eye, and would perhaps violently offend one that was highly cultivated. If such be the case, it decides the question between Gainsborough and Reynolds in favour of the latter. . . . As to the countenance, tho' I cannot say whether it was ever like any living being, it is certainly very like life. What a countenance can exhibit beyond fidelity and reality, is I believe *sentiment* and nothing more, I mean something characteristic, favorable or unfavorable. There is a good deal of this in Gainsborough's portrait: it does not merely look straight before it as if a sail were in view, nor follow you all round the room with its white *sights* till you wish it turned to the wall, like those innumerable glaring physiognomies at Somerset House. . . .

"Nearly opposite the Blue Boy is Gainsborough's other famous work, the Cottage Door. . . . There is great breadth and mass about it; with a richness of coloring, or a *brown goldenness*, which I think *generally* distinguishes the landscapes of this artist. He reminds me more of Gaspar Poussin, tho not in this quality, than any ancient master I can think of at present. . . .

"As a poor return for your eight splendid volumes, will you accept my sorry little pamphlet of a Poem? One half finished work out of an hundred which indolence and hopelessness invite keep me from concluding. I was pretty sure no publisher would undertake it in any shape, and therefore printed a few copies of this part myself for the small number of friends who care about my verses. The greatest recommendation I can give you of my *Nepenthe* is that it fulfills Mrs. Cunningham's wish about Sylvia being 'all prologue.'"

2167 **DARWIN** (CHARLES, 1809-1882). Famous Naturalist and Author.

LETTER SIGNED, WITH FIVE LINES AUTOGRAPH (THE BODY OF THE LETTER BEING IN THE HANDWRITING OF MRS. DARWIN) TO G. CUPPLES.

3 pp., 8vo. Beckenham, Kent, 5th February, 1874. With envelope. **£2 2s**

An interesting letter in the hand of Darwin's wife, who, owing to the ill-health from which her husband suffered during the latter years of his life, was frequently obliged to act as his secretary; seeking for information concerning the habits of common greyhounds and describing his dog "Bran"—"one of my sons . . . heard some boys ask whether he was a dog or a monkey."

2168 **DARWIN** (CHARLES).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE SECRETARY OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

1 page, 8vo. Kent, 8th September, N.Y. **15s**

" . . . I beg leave to state that I shall attend the British Association at Glasgow."

2169 **DAVIES** (WILLIAM H., born 1870). Tramp Poet and Author.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 8vo. Sevenoaks, 1st November, 1908. With envelope. **£1 8s**

"Very pleased to hear that you like my new book. It is certainly unequal, and I am very much afraid that all my work will be the same. Unfortunately, I am a poor judge of what I write, although I know when I have written a good line, I am not so sure of the weak ones. . . ."

"I have already finished another tramp book, dealing with my experiences, but it is in the hands of an Agent, and he is trying to run it through a magazine as a serial." Etc.

- 2170 **DELAMBRE** (JEAN B. J., 1749-1822). French Astronomer.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, small 4to. Academy Royal of Science. N.D. **£1 1s**

(Trans.) :—" I shall need the notes of Mr. Latreille on the ' Calculations of the Ancients ' for the annual analysis of the works of the Academy of Science. It is printed and its author has placed a copy in the library."

- 2171 **DE QUINCEY** (THOMAS, 1785-1859). Author of " Confessions of an English Opium Eater," etc.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

1 page, 8vo. 20th September, N.Y. **£10 10s**

An exceedingly interesting letter entirely concerning a work upon which he was engaged.

" the earlier parts I want at this moment to refer to and the close of the *Pleasures*. I could not fully satisfy my mind in the composition of last night, and wishing to push on I left it for the benefit of my second thoughts to-day. Yet if it should be much wanted I could send it at a short warning. But I much wish to see the whole lying under my eye finished all but final corrections." Etc.

- 2172 **DESBOROUGH** or **DISBROWE** (JOHN, 1608-1680). Cromwellian General. Afterwards led the army's opposition to Richard Cromwell. Imprisoned on suspicion of being concerned in a plot to kill Charles II and Queen Henrietta Maria.

SIGNED AUTOGRAPH ATTESTATION, " THIS IS A VERY FAIR ACCOMPT—JOHN DESBROWE " WRITTEN AT FOOT OF A RARE PRINTED CROMWELLIAN TRACT ENTITLED " AN ABSTRACT OF THE CASE OF SIR ANTHONY CAGE OF BURROW GREEN IN THE COUNTY OF CAMBRIDGE KNIGHT."

6 pp., small 8vo. N.D. Circa 1648-9. **£2 2s**

- 2173 **DICKENS** (CATHERINE). Wife of the Novelist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

2 pp., 8vo. Devonshire Terrace, N.D. **£2 2s**

A request for a box at the Adelphi Theatre.

2174 **DICKENS** (CHARLES, 1812-1870). Novelist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MISS KELLY.

3 pp., 8vo. Devonshire Terrace, 4th November, 1845, with envelope also bearing Dickens' signature. **£10 10s**

An extremely interesting letter advising Miss Kelly to have bills printed announcing a benefit performance to be given for Miss Kelly at her theatre in Dean Street.

"I would have 500 announcements such as I have written on the other side printed . . . and laid upon the seats all over the house, wherever our bills are laid on the night of the 15th. Do you come down yourself and see to their distribution; and I will take care that they are not removed.

To the Private Boxes I would send the same announcement, enclosed in an envelope with a short note from yourself, to the effect that you ventured to take the liberty of begging attention to it. . . . Will this do for you?

Miss Kelly begs leave to announce that the Gentlemen who perform this evening have kindly consented as a mark of their regard for an old servant of the public, who has struggled with some difficulties, To Repeat these Performances for the last time and for her Benefit. . . . Miss Kelly will appear in her old part of Betty Finnikin. The other characters by the amateurs." Etc.

This letter undoubtedly refers to the performance of Jonson's "Every Man in his Humour," given for Miss Kelly's benefit at her theatre in Dean Street, when Dickens took the part of Bobadil, Forster appearing as Kitley, Jerrold as Master Stephen, and Leech as Master Matthew.

2175 **DICKENS** (CHARLES).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER (3RD PERSON) TO THE SUPERINTENDENT AT THE STATION (GLASGOW).

1½ pp., 8vo. Royal Hotel, 9th October, 1858. With addressed envelope, which bears Dickens' Signature. **£7 10s**

Asking for a first-class compartment to be reserved on the train to London, for a party of four.

". . . . Mr. Dickens's men will have with them a quantity of luggage which is to be left at Bradford to-morrow. It would be a great additional convenience to Mr. Dickens if the Superintendent's kindness could possibly arrange for its not being shifted at Lancaster, but going the whole way through to Bradford in the Van in which it will leave Glasgow."

2176 **DICKENS** (CHARLES).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (INITIALS) TO MISS KELLY.

1 page, 8vo. Tavistock Hotel, 19th May, 1853.

£5 5s

" . . . I have never heard anything about the Deserter being played in four pieces, nor do I conceive it possible to adjust such a point in that high-handed way, without knowing what else is going to be done, and who is going to do it."

ON HIS MARRIAGE TO MISS GUNNING.

A " FANNY BURNEY " ROMANCE.

2177 **DIGBY** (COLONEL THE HON. STEPHEN). Vice-Chamberlain to the Queen of George III. The " Mr. Fairly " of Fanny Burney's Memoirs. Fanny Burney was in love with him and was much upset on hearing of his intended marriage to Miss Gunning.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED " S.D. " TO HIS FRIEND GENERAL ALEXANDER ROSS.

4 full pages, 4to. South Audley Street, 7th February, 1790.

£3 3s

Colonel Digby's marriage to Miss Gunning, maid of honour to the Queen, and the " Miss Fusileer " of Fanny Burney's Memoirs, nearly broke the latter's heart, she being evidently deeply in love with him; it is referred to at some length in her " Memoirs."

In this letter Digby tells his friend of his marriage; also refers to his children by his first wife.

" I will no longer delay telling you that I have connected myself with Miss Gunning the Maid of Honour, who if you are not acquainted with you must at least have often seen. . . . My acquaintance with Miss G. had been of a long standing, our situation afforded opportunities, this was improved to a more perfect knowledge of each other's characters, & to a degree of friendship which is not very usual in the world I live, therefore after much & mature consideration, is this step taken, which I may say, now the six weeks are elapsed since it took place, promises to my mind more of peace & happiness than I could have ventured again to hope or expect. . . .

" I shall not think it uninteresting to you, to say that Miss G's fortune was £9,000 & that I had £7,000 which is in settlement, and does in no degree interfere with the provision of my own four dear children." Etc., etc.

- 2179 **DONATO FRANCESCO.** (Died 1553). Doge of Venice, reigned from 1545 to 1553. Celebrated for his eloquence and wisdom.

DOCUMENT SIGNED AS DOGE, BEING A JUDGMENT DELIVERED BY HIM IN A LAW SUIT.

Contained on 1 page, folio (vellum), and dated 26th August, 1547.

£5 5s

Bearing the rare signature and subscription of one of the famous Doges of Venice. He signs "Nos franciscus donato dei grazia dux venet et subscrissimus." It is also notariially certified by Antonio Maxsilius, notary and chancellor of the Court of the most serene Prince of Venice.

The law suit arose on the petition of Faelicita, relict of the late Aloysius de Maceriis, concerning the payment of her dower in pursuance of a nuptial contract made in 1527, the conditions of which had been duly fulfilled.

- 2180 **DORIA (ANDREA, 1468-1560).** Genoese Naval Commander. Restored the Independence of Genoa.

LETTER SIGNED TO THE PROTECTORS OF THE BANK OF ST. GEORGE.

1 page, folio. "From my Admiral's ship beyond San Firenzo." 21st February (1554).

£9 10s

A letter of recommendation in favour of Captain Giordano da Pino, suggesting that he should be rewarded for his services in the Corsican expedition by the grant of some estates left vacant by the death of the late life-tenant. Written in Doria's old age, he lived to be over ninety.

(Trans.):—"Some time ago, at my instance, your lordships made a grant to Colonel Angelo Santo of the estates of Antonio di Mariana, and now, he being dead, the property remains vacant. And since Captain Giordano da Pino has deserved well of your lordships, for having served a long time at Genoa and afterwards in the Corsican expedition, it seemed good to me that he should be rewarded for his good service and I see no better means than by granting the estates of the aforesaid Antonio de Mariano to him. Therefore, I pray you, be so good as to grant him this favour, or give me authority to do it in your name, and I shall be very much obliged."

2180a **DOVER** (JOHN CAREY, BARON HUNSDON, 2ND EARL OF). Colonel in Parliamentary Army. Speaker of House of Lords, 1647.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SIR JOHN CLOPTON, OF CLOPTON PARK, STRATFORD-ON-AVON.

1 full page, folio. London, 23rd February, 1676.

£3 10s

A rare letter, written the year before his death. It is addressed to a relative of Sir Hugh Clopton, who built New Place at Stratford-on-Avon purchased by Shakespeare.

It is a charming letter expressing his gratitude to Sir John and Lady Clopton.

"I must be silent in the obligacons I lye under to yr selfe & here selfe my most vertuous & worthy Lady, & shew my thanks & by murmuring all the penury of my fortune (whilst yr kindnesse is perpetually flowing upon me) wch only admitts me to very disproporcond returnes. I cannot read the riddle of yr kindnesse but find it without a reason; the mystery of the Loadstone & that equally puzzle me, & are things for wch I am to myself equally unaccountable. . . . My service to the hopefull & sweet blossomes."

Sir John Clopton married Barbara, only child of Sir Edward Walker, Garter King of Arms, through whom Shakespeare's home eventually returned to the Clopton family.

OH, "EVINS," AND PUNCH'S ALMANACK MUST BE DONE THIS WEEK.

2181 **DOYLE** (RICHARD, 1824-1883). Caricaturist. Worked for "Punch."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO TAYLOR.

1 page, 8vo. London, N.D.

WITH SKETCH OF HIMSELF IN BED.

£5 5s

Regretting that he had been unable to keep an engagement with Taylor, as he had caught cold and thought "it would be the reverse of prudent to brave the night air."

He adds a postscript:—

"I awoke this morning with headache added to the cough. Oh 'Evins,' and Punch's Almanack must be done this week!!!

18.

Miss Jessie Lawson
 Mrs. Dean

Mr Ker of Kippelaw

Mr Ker of Cavers,

Mr Sommerville Lowood,

Mr Proctor Cambridge

Mr Geo Scott

Sir Walter Scott Abbotsford

Sept 6th Mr. Charles J. Plummer. Oil Coll. Oxford

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Mr. R. L. Cthor. Master Coll. Oxford.

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Mr. G. V. Clumming Lye

Masters Rose & Cornack -

Miss Jane Rose

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DRYBURGH ABBEY VISITORS' BOOK.

A page from Dryburgh Abbey Visitors' Book, showing SIR WALTER SCOTT's Signature.

See Item No. 2184.

HAWKINS' LAST FIGHT.

2182 [**DRAKE** (SIR FRANCIS, 1540-1596). Famous Admiral and Circumnavigator, and **HAWKINS** (SIR JOHN, 1532-1595). Naval Commander.]

CONTEMPORARY SPANISH MANUSCRIPT ENTITLED
 "RELACION DE LO SUZEDIDO EN SAN JUAN DE PUERTO RICO
 DE LAS INDIAS, CON LA ARMADA INGLISA DEL CARGO DE
 FRANCISCO DRAQUE Y JUAN AQUINES, A LOS 23 de Noviembre de
 1595 años.

14 pp., folio. Bound in full green morocco case by Sangorski and Sutcliffe, lettered on side.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE No. X).

£350

A contemporary Spanish manuscript relative to the exploits of Drake and Hawkins with their fleet, off Porto Rico in November, 1595, recording Hawkins' death and one of Drake's last engagements with the Spaniards. Appended, is a Spanish translation of Drake's instructions to one of his officers, and his letter to the Governor of Porto Rico, as king, for the release of some of his crew. The text of this manuscript is probably taken from the original report sent by the Governor of Porto Rico to the authorities in Spain, and transcribed by one of the officers of the garrison, who would have had access to the original document.

At that time, after the crushing defeat of the Invincible Armada, Spain's financial position was becoming precarious; no longer could the transatlantic fleet (which patrolled the seas to the west, and convoyed the treasure-ships from America to Spain) be maintained at its full strength; and with the withdrawal of these ships,

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Drake (Sir Francis)—*continued.*

the galleons bearing the American silver, and the Spanish possessions in the Atlantic, became equally the objective of more and more daring raids on the part of Drake and other corsairs.

In March, 1595, General Sancho Pardo y Osorio had left Habana for Spain, accompanied by the *Tierra Firme* fleet, in charge of a great cargo of gold and silver. Five days later, they ran into a heavy gale at $28\frac{1}{2}$ degrees of latitude, and were unable to proceed further; and, after a consultation with the pilots and the *veedor* (inspector), Don Martin Romero, "in order to save three hundred lives and two millions of gold and silver," he decided to put into port at Porto Rico, where they arrived on 9th April, and placed the treasure in the fortress. The General has then notified the King of Spain of his action, and awaited instructions.

Meanwhile, Colonel Pedro Xnarez, Governor of Porto Rico, had received a despatch from the Spanish King to the effect that England was preparing a big fleet to conquer the island in the winter, which was considered the best time to catch the Spaniards unprepared. At the conference with Don Francisco Cid, Captain of Infantry, of the Island garrison, the governor and others, the General decided to safeguard the silver; reconnoitre all points which the enemy might be likely to attack on land; to place artillery from the flagship at various vantage points; and to sink a vessel across the harbour, to prevent the enemy from entering.

On the 13th November, a fleet arrived from Spain, under the command of Don Pedro Tello de Guzman, to take the King's silver to Spain. They had seen two English ships which had become separated from the English Fleet at Guadaloupe Island; one was seized by Admiral Gonzalo Mendez, who had sunk it after taking twenty-seven prisoners, and the other was pursued by Tello, who then sighted nine vessels of the English fleet, and proceeded swiftly on his journey to Porto Rico.

The writer states that "the sailor-prisoners declared that the Queen of England's fleet of twenty-five ships, of which six were galleons, were fitting out launches, in the vicinity of Guadaloupe, and that they were arranged in two squadrons, with Francis Drake and John Hawkins in command, Drake directing the course and the things on land, and his lieutenant on land being 'Tomas Vasques Arfit.' The fleet carried three thousand infantrymen and fifteen hundred sailors, well supplied with artillery, and they were making straight for Porto Rico, as was apparent from the instructions which were seized from the English captain, who was ordered, in the event of becoming separated from the fleet, to make for Porto Rico, where the fleet would await him ten days, and would leave further instructions. Thus Don Pedro feared that they might have arrived in advance of his own fleet and taken possession of the island; but as this had not yet happened, it was very probable that Drake might come upon them in a day or two."

The Spanish General Pardo received this pleasant news when he was ill, and summoned the Bishop and Governor to his bedside, where a conference was held with many officials and officers, "who all agreed that the island should be fortified with naval guns; that the flagship and another should be sunk across the harbour; and that the silver should not be moved from the fortress until we saw how matters turned out; and, if necessary, we would sink the silver rather than allow the enemy to enjoy it."

General Pardo considered that the port was the most important of the guard,

Drake (Sir Francis)—*continued.*

and that "the frigate should lie above the sunken ships, bows foremost, to resist the enemy's entry. The Bishop conducted a mass and addressed a sermon to the troops, enjoining them to serve God and their King."

Urgent messages were sent to Santa Domingo to be on the look-out for Drake, and to notify Cartagena and Santa Marta; the troops were reviewed, and those on board the frigates brought ashore to assist the land army. Their resources on land consisted of 1300 persons, of whom 750 were soldiers, and about seventy guns; while at sea they had the frigates, also well mounted with guns, and about 800 sailors.

On the 15th, news arrived from the Governor of the Canary Islands, stating that the English fleet had passed that way. The people were anxious to meet the enemy, and the authorities resolved not to embark the silver on light frigates and send it on with three others as a rearguard to engage the enemy, as had been suggested, because "the people would be disheartened if they had no silver to defend; and how it is necessary for His Majesty's reputation, to face the enemy and fight," even at the risk of losing the precious treasure.

The dawn of Wednesday, 22nd November, 1595, revealed the thrilling sight of Drake's armada; "twenty three ships and a carvel; the Queen's six galleons of 800 tons, and two warships of the same tonnage; the remaining ships, of 300 and 150; and 40 launches. The alarm was given, and each man cheerfully went to his post. There was very little wind, and thus the enemy's fleet sailed slowly." When it eventually arrived, it surprised the Spaniards by anchoring at La Caleta del Cabion "where no ship has been known to anchor before."

Drake's fleet having mustered there, "our men fired many guns from the ramparts and from the Caleta del Cabion; so many that they caused some damage, and we afterwards heard that we had killed *Juan a Quines* (John Hawkins) the General in command of one of the squadrons, and two of the most important gentlemen who came with him; and that one cannon-ball had blown away the table at which Francisco Draque was dining and had killed one of the personages who were with him.

The English fleet then retired to another spot "which had hitherto never been used as an anchorage, and there the weather was favourable, and our artillery was unable to reach them; and from there they sent out launches to reconnoitre the coast."

On the night of the 23rd, Drake himself "attacked the port with twenty-five launches, each conveying fifty to sixty men well armed, with the object of burning the frigates. They came close up to the ramparts, right under our artillery, and we afterwards learned that Francis Drake came in one of the launches right up to the mouth of the harbour. Although it was dark, the launches were seen, and our artillery from the fort of Santa Elena and the frigates, began to play on them. They attacked our principal frigate, setting fire to the bows and throwing many fire bombs, but our men diligently put out the fire before it caused any damage; fighting with artillery, muskets and stones. The same thing happened to three other frigates, again and again, but the third the frigate *Madalena* was set on fire, we were unable

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Drake (Sir Francis)—*continued.*

to put it out, and ten of our men perished on board, while others saved themselves by swimming. The fighting lasted an hour, and the most furious we had known. The flames from the burning frigate lit up the whole port and enabled us to see how to place our artillery to the best advantage; and having caused the enemy considerable damage, they retired with a loss of nine or ten launches and more than four hundred men; while our losses amounted to forty men killed and burned; some wounded; and the frigate."

The next few days were spent in cautious reconnoitring in launches, on the part of Drake's men; while the Spaniards were engaged in further strengthening the defences of the port, which was Drake's objective. On the Saturday night, however, the fleet sailed away without being observed, and the following morning "our people saw that it was not there, and sent men to the farthest point of the east coast to see whether they had passed that way, as it was understood that they had intended to go to Santo Domingo."

On the 11th December, the boatswain of the frigate *Madalena* (which had been burnt) and four sailors, who had been picked up in one of Drake's launches and put ashore at San Jerman, arrived in port with a letter from Drake (of which a Spanish translation is given in this manuscript) addressed to the Governor of Porto Rico, and dated from Drake's flagship on 23rd November, 1595, in which the Englishman stated that he always treated the Spaniards with clemency and that he had saved certain Spaniards "in the fury of the fire, and after conquering them he had done them no harm, but had given them a good supper." He had heard from these men that the Spaniards had taken an English vessel with twenty-five English prisoners, and "as there are soldiers and gentlemen in your city, I do not doubt that they will be given their liberty, by virtue of honest warfare, and I also shall do what is right."

In addition to this historical report, there is the text (in Spanish translation) of Drake's instructions to one of his captains, whose ship was seized at Guadaloupe. These instructions referred to the fleet's movements from Plymouth from 29th August 1595, one of the orders being that the captain was to communicate with his admiral twice, or at least, once a day; and if his ship became separated from the rest in a storm, he was to put in successively at the ports of "Bayona de Galicia," Puerto Santo and Guadaloupe, if he did not come across the fleet in the meantime. From there the fleet would proceed to Puerto Rico "where we intend to stay ten days."

Amongst other interesting instructions, the captain was sternly forbidden to allow any small craft to precede the flagship or to cross its path; great care was to be taken with regard to lights, and "the kitchen fire must be carefully watched." The captain was expected to keep a careful check on the supplies, and to watch the various lantern signals, the meanings of which are set forth in the text, by which he might remain in communication with the other ships, in the event of tempest, sailing at night, or distress.

The Dictionary of National Biography has an interesting paragraph on the events recorded in this contemporary manuscript which enriches the history of this engagement with the full and more personal details from the pen of an eye-witness. The Dictionary states that Drake "sailed on the 4th November for Porto Rico,

Drake (Sir Francis)—*continued*.

where a very large treasure had been collected. On the 11th they anchored before the town, and almost as they did so, Hawkins died. The same evening a shot from the shore killed Clifford and some other officers. The town had been, in fact, put in a fair state of defence, and the next day, when the fleet attacked, it was beaten off. From Porto Rico they went to La Hacha, Rancheria and Santa Marta on the Main, and finding no booty or ransom, set them on fire. "Nombre de Dios, being equally empty, they also burnt. They then attempted to march to Panama, but a number of forts blocked the way and compelled them to return. Everywhere preparations had been made for their reception; treasure had been cleared out and batteries had been thrown up and armed."

Drake had been ill for some time past, and soon after he got on board his ship, the *Defiance*, he died, off Portobello, on 28th January, 1596.

"On the 29th his body, enclosed in a leaden coffin, was committed to the deep a few miles to seaward; or, in the words of an anonymous poet quoted by Prince (*Worthies of Devon*):

"The waves became his winding-sheet; the waters were his tomb;
But for his fame, the ocean sea was not sufficient room."

2183 **DROUET** (JEAN BAPTIST, COMTE D'ERLON, 1765-1844). French Marshal.

LETTER SIGNED TO THE COMMANDANT OF STRASBOURG.

1 page, folio. Headquarters, Nantes, 22nd September, 1840.

12s 6d

Asking for prolongation of the leave of a soldier who is the only supporter of his aged mother.

2184 **DRYBURGH ABBEY VISITOR'S BOOK.**

THE DRYBURGH ABBEY VISITOR'S BOOK, CONTAINING THE AUTOGRAPH SIGNATURES OF A GREAT NUMBER OF THE ABBEY'S DISTINGUISHED VISITORS, INCLUDING SIR WALTER SCOTT, J. G. LOCKHART, SIR DAVID BREWSTER, LORD JEFFREY, DAVID LAING, MISS EDGEWORTH, MRS. HEMANS, MONCKTON MILNES, CHARLES MACKAY, JOHN MURRAY, Etc.

Bound in half morocco gilt. 1821-1835.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE NO. XI).

£52 10s

An extremely interesting volume, being the Visitor's Book at Dryburgh Abbey, and containing the signature of Sir Walter Scott in four different places, besides the signatures of numerous other distinguished persons, including the names of those who were present at Sir Walter Scott's burial at the Abbey, together with the names of those who performed the last offices to the famous novelist.

Dryburgh Abbey contained the burial vault of Sir Walter Scott's family, and in his Journal he makes several references to the Abbey.

On May 18th, 1826, three days after his wife's death, Scott writes:—

"Another day, and a bright one to the external world, again opens on us; the air soft, and the flowers smiling, and the leaves glittering. They cannot refresh her to whom mild weather was a natural enjoyment. Cerements of lead and of wood already hold her; cold earth must have her soon. But it is not my Charlotte, it is not the bride of my youth, the mother of my children, that will be laid among the ruins of Dryburgh, which we have so often visited in gaily and pastime." Etc.

During Sir Walter Scott's illness in 1818-19 Mr. Skene was with him at Abbotsford, and he records a curious incident regarding Dryburgh Abbey.

"... After he had got some repost, and had become rather better in the morning, he said, with a smile on his countenance, 'If you will promise not to laugh at me I have a favour to ask. Do you know I have taken a childish fancy to see the place where I am to be laid when I go home, which there is some probability may not now be long delayed. Now, as I cannot go to Dryburgh Abbey—that is out of the question at present—it would give me much pleasure if you would take a ride down and bring me a drawing of the spot, which he minutely described the position of, and mentioned the exact point where he wished it drawn, that the sight of his future grave might appear. His wish was accordingly complied with.'"

Reminiscences.

- 2185 **DUFFERIN** (FREDERICK BLACKWOOD, EARL OF, 1826-1902).
Governor General of Canada, and Viceroy of India.

FOUR AUTOGRAPH LETTERS SIGNED TO ALFRED WIGAN.

10 pp., 8vo. Belfast, 1863 and 1867.

£3 10s

Concerning the production of the play "Finesse; or a Busy Day in Messina," written by Lord Dufferin's mother. This was first performed at the Haymarket Theatre, London, in 1863. The acting of Buckstone and Wigan contributed to a highly successful run, but Lady Dufferin neither acknowledged the authorship, nor was she present at a single representation.

"I have been very much disappointed at learning that the Play is not to appear this year. There would have been no objection to its appearance, and I fully expected that it would have been brought out. Could you not arrange to do so still?"

When my mother gave it to you, it was for the purpose of its being acted, and she authorizes me to say that if there is no *certain* prospect of your being able to bring it out she must ask you to let her have it back as she would then alter it and have it produced in some shape or other, though of course under less advantageous circumstances than if it were to appear under your auspices.

If you go on keeping it in yr. pocket we shall be all dead and buried before it is heard of." Etc.

" . . . I am most anxious to devise every means that I can think of to occupy my mother's thoughts and to turn her attention away from the sad subjects which have been occupying her of late. If I could only get her to take some literary labour as a distraction, I feel that a great deal will have been gained and it was on that account that I had been looking forward eagerly to the appearance of her play. If that effort meets with the success, which I feel certain your assistance will insure it, it will be likely to encourage her to do something more of the same kind." Etc.

" . . . I am only sorry to have given you the trouble of writing so often at a time when I dare say you are very busy; but as I had determined to be present at the first night and wd. have had to alter my plans here, in order to have crossed in time, had the day named been the 4th. I was anxious to know what had been settled as soon as possible.

I hope you are still pleased."

- 2186 **DUFFY** (SIR CHARLES GAVAN, 1816-1903). Irish Patriot, Journalist and Author. Emigrated to Australia and became Prime Minister of Victoria.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO DANIEL GRIFFIN.

2 pp., 8vo. Limerick, 12th September, 1849.

£1 5s

"The Manchester party in England are willing to help us to a liberal settlement of the land question. Therefore it begins to look practicable. . . .

"But what say you to a new organization—silent—active—thoughtful and resourceful? From it the plan must come. I have a plan to propose." Etc.

- 2187 **DUMAS** (ALEXANDER, PÈRE, 1802-1870). Eminent French Author and Dramatist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO M. VANLOO.

1 page, 8vo. N.D. (May, 1860).

15s

Asking for the rifle his correspondent promised him, and for a sample of his best timber to be sent to a gun-smith at Marseilles.

- 2188 **DUMAS** (ALEXANDER).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

$\frac{1}{2}$ -page, 8vo. N.D.

12s 6d

Making an appointment.

- 2189 **DUMAS** (ALEXANDRE, 1824-1895). Famous French Author and Dramatist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED ON CARD.

15s

"*Helas, mon pauvre enfant, a peine la chance a tenir l'air de vous sourire d'un coté que le soin vous frappe de l'autre. C'est connue ça.*"

- 2190 **DUMAS** (ALEXANDRE).

AUTOGRAPH NOTE SIGNED (IN FRENCH).

1 page, sm. 8vo. N.D.

12s 6d

(Trans.):—"Could one know oneself, life would be hard. I am only sending half . . . anything which you do is well done; you are the correcting angel."

- 2191 **DUMOURIEZ** (CHARLES FRANÇOIS, 1739-1823). French General Endeavoured to serve the Court and Nation. Defeated the invaders. Intrigued with the Austrians and Emigrants; fled from France. Settled in England, 1794.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO SIR HENRY BUNBURY.

1 page, 8vo. 1st January, 1813.

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Concerning the movements of Napoleon.

(Trans.):—" . . . I am impatiently awaiting news from Paris to know what Buonaparte will make up his mind to do: whether he will take all his forces into Germany, in which case he will lose Spain or perhaps Italy; or whether he will go and finish the conquest of Spain and Sicily and leave the Russians alone, in which case he will lose Germany, for it is impossible for a general peace."

- 2192 **DUNDAS** (HENRY, VISCOUNT MELVILLE, 1742-1811). Statesman.
 AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (INITIALS) TO PITT.

6 pp., 4to. India Board, 7th April, 1787.

15s

As to the instructions to be sent to Mr. Eden at Paris, relative to the proposed East India Convention.

"I send you the last despatches from India on the subject of the French Treaty and the Finances. . . I shall have the Paper relative to the French Treaty at Wimbledon and I would then wish us to compose article by article our own particulars to Mr. Eden, with Lord Cornwallis's observations upon the Treaty and we can then judge how far it is necessary to send any fresh particulars either to India or to Paris." Etc.

- 2193 **DUNSANY** (EDWARD J. M. D. PLUNKETT, BARON, born 1878).
 Irish writer of Novels and Plays.

A LENGTHY AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO ELKIN MATHEWS, THE PUBLISHER.

7 pp., 8vo. Dunsany Castle, 21st September (1913). With envelope.

£4 10s

A long letter concerning the proposed publication of "The Muse on Foot"; also as to the agreement between them. Complaining of the delay, and as to a book of plays which he was also bringing out and which he was afraid would clash.

" . . . It is quite necessary for me to try elsewhere at once if we cannot agree, not at all because I would sooner that anyone else published it but because Time, if all that the poets have written of him—(and you have printed)—is true, wont wait."

- 2194 **DUNSANY** (EDWARD J. M. D. PLUNKETT, BARON).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE SAME.

2 pp., 4to. War Office. N.D

£3 3s

As to Lady Dunsany bringing the plates for one of his works over from Ireland; further as to a new writer of tales whom he strongly recommends.

" . . . I could send you a new writer if you would care for a volume of tales of these days written in an exceptionally pure style, quite as good as . . . He is not a millionaire philanthropist. Bearing this in mind, would you like the stuff if it is good." Etc.

- 2195 **DUPETIT-THOUARS** (ARISTIDE AUBERT, 1760-1798). French Naval Commander. Prepared an expedition to South Seas in search of La Perouse, but being taken prisoner by the Portuguese the enterprise failed. Commanded a French ship at Battle of the Nile where he was killed.

DOCUMENT SIGNED, BEING A RECEIPT FOR PAYMENT OF TWO SHARES IN HIS PROPOSED EXPEDITION TO THE SOUTH SEAS.

1 page, oblong 8vo. Paris, 4th August, 1791. **£1 12s 6d**

(Trans.):—"I acknowledge having received from Md. de Beaumarchais and Mdle. Eugenie the sum of one hundred livres for two shares of which I promise to render them an account at the end of the expedition for commerce and discovery which I am undertaking to the South Seas." Etc.

- 2196 **DUPLEIX** (JOSEPH, 1697-1763). Governor of French India.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MONS. DE LEYRIS.

2 pp., 4to. Pondicherry, 17th April, 1742. **£6 10s**

A fine specimen of a rare autograph letter, written from Pondicherry in the first year of his appointment. In his letter Dupleix warns his correspondent of the conduct of a "miserable interpreter," who had calumniated him to the Company with regard to some border war, advising him to write and explain matters to them immediately.

THE CHATTERTON-ROWLEY CONTROVERSY.

- 2197 **EACLES** (THOMAS, 1746-1812). Classical Scholar.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO J. BRITTON, ESQ.

3 pp., 4to. Langton Court, near Bristol, 21st December, 1811.

£7 10s

A most interesting and important literary letter entirely on the Chatterton-Rowley controversy, which waged for eighty years.

Chatterton's first conception of the "Rowley Romance" dated from 1765. In 1769, he sent Horace Walpole, a "transcript" of "*The Ryse of Peyncteynge, written by T. Rowlie, 1469, for Mastre Canynge.*" Walpole, quite taken in, wrote at once to his unknown correspondent, expressing a thousand thanks for the manuscript.

Eagles (Thomas)—*continued.*

Back came a fresh batch of manuscript and with it a sketch of Chatterton's own history. The poems, however, being shown to Mason and Gray, were pronounced by them to be forgeries.

" . . . I scarcely know what to say to you on the subject of Chatterton. I have collected materials for throwing some light on the controversy respecting the poems published under the name of Rowley. . . . I knew Chatterton well, and flatter myself that I am some judge of the extent of his abilities as a poet. I know the opportunities he had for acquiring historical knowledge, and how little was within his reach, but give him the genius of Shakespeare if you will, genius can only give a power over materials, they must be collected by time and diligence, and I maintain that within the short period of his literary life, it was a physical impossibility that he could possess himself of that knowledge which was necessary for the composition of those poems. . . . From a thorough knowledge of Chatterton, and from other local advantages, I am possess'd of materials in this controversy, the greater part of which was unknown to them, and which may have a tendency, when brought forward to fix the public mind, by bringing it back to a conviction of the truth, in opposition to those great names, by which it has been so long misled.

" I can prove that when these poems first came into Chatterton's hands, he did not know the name of the poet, whom he erroneously called Ronly. I can go further still, and prove the existence of one of these poems, of considerable length, before Chatterton was born, and that to the discovery of this poem, the others most probably owe their preservation." Etc.

2198 EAST INDIA COMPANY (1654).

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TO JOHN THURLOW, SECRETARY OF STATE.

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" I acquainted the Governour & Committee of the East India Company, also divers of the Muscovia & Greenland Merchants with your direction to them, to choose four arbitrators to meet with the Dutch, two to be merchants & two to be civilians. But since they are corporations they cannot summon their whole bodies to meet & give so speedy an answer as required, seeing many are out of town." Etc.

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO MRS. O'BEIRNE.

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" I have just read an assertion of Mr. Brougham's which I think should be contradicted. That no time may be lost and yet that I may not run the hazard of doing anything rash or that you might not wish to be done in what so concerns you I enclose the note I have written to Mr. Brougham & beg you to forward it to him or destroy it as you judge best. I think I have heard from you and from *himself* that the fact is as I have stated in my note to Mr. B. Perhaps some other friend of yours, some gentleman, some person of consequence in the political world may already & with more effect and propriety have contradicted the assertion. . . .

" Sir Walter Scott has written me a delightful promise to come & see us this summer or autumn." Etc.

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DOCUMENT OF THIS REIGN.

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE "WEEKLY DISPATCH OFFICE."

1 page, 4to. 17th December, 1821.

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Showing himself in a "fighting mood" over a newspaper article.

"In consequence of some Lines which appeared in the 'Morning Chronicle' a short time since, expressing a wonder that I had suffered the epithet of *cur* to remain affixed to Jack Randall: I answered them in the crambonian style; & they were promised insertion. A fortnight has elapsed and they have not made their appearance: it should seem therefore to the Sporting World, that I am afraid to come to the *Scratch*: I hope, Sir, you will prevent anything like 'foul play' & give me a chance to show fight." Etc.

- 2202 **ECERTON** (SIR THOMAS, 1540-1617). Lord Chancellor. Employed by Queen Elizabeth on diplomatic commissions.

LETTER SIGNED TO NATHANIEL BACON.

$\frac{1}{2}$ -page, folio. Yorkhouse, 15th June, 1600.

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"... According to the request of this petitioner, Thomas Pearce, I send you his petition herinlosed by wch. and by his fardr. information, you may understand the cause of his complainte. I praye you take the paines (calling both) him and his mother before you to examine the matt^r. and by some quiett order agreeable to equitie and justice, to prevent and stopp these fardr. suites wch. were unfitt to be between p^ties so neerly bound to one another in love and dutie, and wch. the peticon^r seemes to desire to have by this course prevented." Etc.

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SEAL OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS ATTACHED TO A VELLUM DOCUMENT.

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(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE NO. XII).

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Wolsey's famous lines, in Shakespeare's Play of Henry VIII were addressed to Thomas Cromwell.

" O Cromwell, Cromwell
Had I but served my God with half the zeal
I served my king, he would not in mine age
Have left me naked to mine enemies."

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1 page, folio. 29th October, 1767.

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Also signed by Richard Harrington, "bailli" of Caen.

(SEE ILLUSTRATION, PLATE NO. XIII).

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A unique historical document of great interest, being a detailed report of the necessary and urgent repairs required to be made to the castle and fortifications of Caen of which Sir John Fastolf was governor.

Sir John Fastolf is supposed to be the original of the riotous Fat Knight of Shakespeare's "Henry IV" and the "Merry Wives of Windsor."

(Trans.) :—"There follows by declaration certain necessary repairs and fortifications to be done immediately to the castle of Caen. Both masonry, woodwork, and plastering, with the materials and things requisite and necessary to make and complete the said repairs and fortifications for the security and safe keeping of the said castle and town of Caen and of its environs, and for the proper dealing with many rebellions made by many soldiers upon the country and subjects of the King our Lord, in several places and divers manners.

"Wherefore it is necessary to provide the said repairs and fortifications of the said castle of Caen for the security thereof and the said town of Caen and of the country round about. In order that to the said cause inconvenience may not arise, which God forbid.

"In the first place

In order to obtain the wood and staves necessary for the said repairs and fortifications, it is necessary to send to the forests of Cinglais several carpenters and workmen to cut down and point the said wood and staves quite ready for loading the wagons and carts.

"Item. A large number of carts, and wagons are necessary and waggoners to drive them and bring the said wood or staves to the said castle.

"Item. It is necessary to have several carpenters and workmen to make certain oak fences on the walls of the said castle from the Tour des Vieilles Prisons near the keep, coming to the Porte Aubergier of the town of Caen up to the tower

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Fastolf (Sir John)—continued.

forming the corner of the enclosure of the said castle, and elsewhere where it shall be necessary for the said castle, to the number of 617 (?) fathoms or thereabouts.

"Item. It is necessary to make quite new plans 'diasserie' for the two large towers of the Porte du Bel of the said castle by which one goes to La Pigachier. To which towers it is necessary to put 4 large — of new wood and also to set up cannon or vulgaires and make the 'cullers' and other necessary timberwork for this.

"Item. It is necessary to make a 'portemain' of quite new wood to the staircase near the Porte de la Pigachier of 6 fathoms in length or thereabouts.

"Item. It is necessary to make and put in the tower called Puchot, being in front of the Porte Villanie of the said town, forming the corner of the enclosure of the said castle near the town and St. Julian, curves and 'gouchées' to support the rafters which are old and in ruins, and to guard and secure this tower . . . all round with new oak, and also it is necessary to make and put in 9 skylights and one large double window.

"Item. It is necessary to put new curves of oak in the one of the 4 large towers of the said castle in the keep, with pillars and lintels to enclose this all round and to put in the said tower 7 dormer and 4 large windows.

"Item. It is necessary to match and regulate the large limestone mill in the keep.

"Item. It is necessary to plank and mend with new wood a square tower being on the walls of the said castle before the steps of St. George, and to put in the said tower 'cullers' for 1 laying cannon or vulgaires as is necessary.

"Item. It is necessary to make 7 large ladders in order to go up into the large towers of the said castle.

"Item. It is necessary to make 11 dozen and a half of iron hinges for the skylights and windows which it is necessary to make in the said castle.

"Item. It is necessary to fasten and bind with iron 6 buckets for the wells in the castle both for the Chateau du Bel and the keep and . . . fix one iron chain.

"Item. It is necessary to fasten and bind with iron 3 or 4 large vulgaires which are in the said castle.

"Item. It is necessary to mend and repair with masonry several holes in the walls of the said castle in order to set up barriers thereon.

"Item. In order to withstand 'Greek fire' which may be thrown and aimed at the one of 4 large round towers forming the corner of the said keep towards La Pigachier, it is necessary to rough work and plaster all round outside with plaster and to plaster 4 double windows of the said tower.

"Item. It is necessary to make several round holes to serve as loop holes in the large towers of Du Belle and the keep of the said castle in order to set up cannon and vulgaries of several kinds.

"Item. It is necessary to make on the walls and towers of the said castle both of Du Bel and the keep, several 'cullers' of wood in order to set up cannon or vulgaries where necessary.

"Item. It is necessary to make at the Porte du Belle of the said castle towards La Pigachier and begin quite new stonework as low as the foundations of

Fastolf (Sir John)—*continued*.

the two towers of the said gate and 'esligier' in such a manner with stonework that the bridge and the arm of the balancing pole may be joined and enclosed within the walls of the said gate and the said towers all together. And for the protection of the said bridge to make the said stonework as high as the said 2 towers. And in order to enclose this stonework between the said 2 towers it is necessary to put 4 large iron bars for the security of this work.

"Item. It is necessary to make quite new for the said gate 1 sliding portcullis, one drawbridge, one gangway, and one fixed bridge.

"Item. For the said drawbridge and gangway it is necessary to make chains, holes, 'boutereaux,' locks, iron bolts, bands, 'palettes' of copper, and other necessary things.

"John Fastolf, knight, captain of the town and castle of Caen, and Richard Harington 'bailli' of the said place, beseech and request you John Stanlawe, esquire, and governor general of the King's Finances in Normandy, that to resist the great inconvenience which to the cause of the abovesaid might ensue, to be so good as to give orders to John Randulf, Vicomte de Caen, or to his lieutenant to do quickly the repairs and fortifications of the abovesaid with the materials and the things requisite and necessary to accomplish and finish them without delay. Which things abovesaid we certify are true and necessary for the welfare of the King our lord and his government. Witness our signs manual this first day of January, 1435.

"J. Fastolf. Ric. Haryngton."

2211 **FAUCHER** (CESAR and CONSTANTIN, 1759-1815). Called the Twins of La Réole. Twin brothers and both French Generals. In 1794 they were together condemned to death, but reprieved and acquitted, but in 1815 were attacked by the "voluntaries royaux," and, after a secret trial, were shot at the same moment.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED "CONSTANTINE AND CESAR" TO PRINCE D'ECKMUHL, MINISTER OF WAR.

2 pp., folio. Paris, 18th April, 1815.

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Highly interesting letter offering their services in the Departments of Bordeaux and Toulouse, where they had many relations, and could be very useful. It is a pathetic incident, that in this letter, written five months before their execution, they recall the events of the year 1814:—

"At this epoch Lord d'Halousie had us arrested and wanted to have us shot, because . . . we had belated the progress of his army by the only means which the love of our country had supplied us."

- 2212 **FAUCHET** (CLAUDE, 1744-1793). French Orator and Politician. Accused of complicity with Charlotte Corday. Guillotined 1793.

DOCUMENT SIGNED TO THE PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE THÉÂTINS.

1 page, 4to. Commune de Paris, 5th November, 1789. Also signed by Leroux, Isnard de Bonneuil, and B. Duluc. With seal. **£5 5s**

“ Monsieur le Président et messieurs les commissaires du district des théatins sont autorisés a faire faire en présence d'un commissaire civil de leur district visite a perquisition dans la maison de campagne du Séminaire de St. Sulfice a Vaugirard pour s'assurer s'il n'y a pas un magasin d'armes et dans le cas on s'il s'entrouverait de les faire transporter au district des theatins, le tout avec leur Prudence ordinaire.”

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

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- 2214 **FELTRE** (HENRY J. W. CLARKE, DUC DE, 1765-1818). French Marshal and Statesman.

DOCUMENT SIGNED

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An interesting document, creating the Chevalier de Verge a Knight of the Order of Saint Louis. Stamped with the signature of Louis XVIII. Counter-signed by the Duc de Feltre.

- 2215 **FENELON** (J. SALIGNAC DE, ABBÉ DE, 1714-1794). French Ecclesiastic known as "L'Eveque des Savoyards."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO M. LE COMTE.

1 page, 4to. Paris, des Missions Etrangères, 17th December, 1787. **£3 10s**

A characteristic note of appeal from the Abbé de Fénélon, who devoted the greater part of his life to alleviating the sufferings of the poor of Paris. When his own means were exhausted he interested wealthy noblemen in the cause of his numerous and impoverished family, for which things he earned the honourable title of "Éveque des Savoyards." This did not prevent him in the time of the Revolution from being arrested as a "suspect," and in July, 1794, at the age of 80, he was guillotined.

(Trans.) :—"I have learnt, M. le Comte that the King is having constructed some charitable institutions at Versailles, where it will be necessary to employ six hundred workmen, may I beg you to have reserved forty or fifty places for the young workmen from the streets of Paris who are under my care? The unhappy times have rendered them so numerous that I am afflicted for them and in spite of the assistance that I give I see them often in the most touching distress." Etc.

- 2216 **FERRIOL** (CHARLES D'ARGENTAL, COMTE DE, 1637-1722). Celebrated Diplomat, who brought from Constantinople a Turkish lady, Mlle. Aissé.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER TO MLLE. AISSÉ.

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Declaring his love for her, and giving her advice on her behaviour in society.

(Trans.) :—"When I withdrew you from the hands of the unbelievers, & bought you, my intention was not to prepare unhappiness for myself, & to make myself miserable; on the contrary, I meant to profit by the decision of destiny on the fate of men to dispose of you as I wished, & to make you one day my daughter or my mistress. This same destiny wishes you to be both, since I am not able to separate love from friendship, & passionate desires from fatherly tenderness. Conform yourself calmly to destiny, & do not separate what, seemingly, Heaven has pleased to join.

"Above all things, in misunderstandings, watch yourself, & do not give
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Ferriol (Charles D'Argental, Comte de)—*continued*.

scandal-loving tongues any hold over you. Also be rather careful in the choice of your friends, selecting only those with good manners."

Le Comte de Ferriol bought Mlle. Aissé from a slave merchant in 1698, when she was about four years of age. The merchant related that she had been found surrounded by slaves in a palace of a Circassian town, and was the daughter of a prince. The Ambassador took her to France and had her educated.

2217 **FILICAIA or FILICAJA** (VINCENZO DA). Celebrated Italian Poet and Senator. Wrote the sublime sonnets "La Provvidenza" and "L'Italia."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO FRANCESCO REDI, THE ITALIAN NATURALIST.

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Filicaia's poems are remarkable for their spirit and elegance, and he is regarded as the greatest Italian poet of his time; he was the favourite poet of the all-accomplished Somers, under whose protection Addison travelled.

This is a charming letter to his friend Redi, the famous Italian naturalist.

(Trans.):—"What will my most revered Sig^o Francesco Redi say of the solemn impertinence which I intend to use towards him? I want a friend, who is coming to dine with me today, to taste a feast of precious wine of the kind that strikes the palate, and loosens the jaws. . . . I promise to pay you with usury by the many toasts which will be drunk to your health." Etc.

2218 **FILICAIA or FILICAJA** (VINCENZO DA).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO THE SAME.

1 page, small folio. 22nd May, 1687.

£5 5s

(Trans.):—"I treated you with domestic confidence but you did not treat me so, having sent me instead of a flask, half a cellar full of most precious wine. . . . All that troubles me is that the magnificence of your splendid character, will compel me to abstain in the future from similar acts of confidence."

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Partly unpublished. Eight are entirely unpublished, of the remaining fifteen, two-thirds are published in "Two Suffolk Friends," by Francis Hindes Groome, 1895.

The letters are written principally from Lowestoft, and Fitzgerald gives accounts of his sailing trips and life on board his yacht. The letters constitute the history of his friendship with the skipper of his yacht, Joseph Fletcher, nicknamed "Posh" by Fitzgerald. The last two letters are written in a shaky hand, very late in life. One is dated 1st April, 1882, fourteen months before Fitzgerald's death; the other is undated, but of apparently a later date. The first of these refers to his old age; to his friend and biographer, Aldis Wright; and to George Borrow, the Author. The last letter mentions George Crabbe's (the Poet) grandson (Rector of Merton, in whose house Fitzgerald died), and is unpublished.

" . . . On Monday 19 I am going to G. Crabbe's at Merton to meet Aldis Wright. Mrs. Edwards was here yesterday; well I believe, though sincerely inconsolable as yet, and disfiguring herself with such a catafalque of weeds as any Hypocrite might wear." Etc.

This correspondence was also used by A. C. Benson for Fitzgerald's Biography in the "English Men of Letters" series.

- 2220 **FLAMSTEED** (JOHN, 1646-1719). First Astronomer Royal. Author of *Historia Caelestis Britannica*.

AUTOGRAPH DOCUMENT SIGNED, ADDRESSED TO THE OFFICE OF ORDNANCE.

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Certifying that "Samuel Clowes has been employed as an extraordinary laborer under me from ye last day of November 1694, to the 31st day of March 1695, at ye Observatory in Greenwich Parke." Etc.

TO VOLTAIRE.

- 2221 **FLORIAN** (MARIE ELIZABETH MIGNOT, MARQUISE DE). Niece of Voltaire, and younger sister of Mme. Denis.

AN IMPORTANT AUTOGRAPH LETTER TO VOLTAIRE.

4 pp., 4to. N.D. Circa 1765.

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A long and most charming letter to her uncle. She discusses personal affairs; then on theatrical and literary matters; and in conclusion refers to a bakery she had established for the poor of her neighbourhood.

(Trans.) :—" . . . I have established a theatre, some very pretty people in my neighbourhood, under the training of my brother and myself, have become very fine actresses. D'Hornoy who has a passion for the stage is very successful. Indeed I wish you could see our 'picarde' company of which I am the Director seeing that my fifty years forbid me to take any other rôle. . . We have great need of a real theatre, it would be a good work if you were to come and build one for us. . . . I swear dear uncle, that I would do so at the expense of the years left to me, for I desire nothing so much as to live and die with you. . . .

"I know all about good mills and good bakeries, which are a very necessary adjunct to tillage. Consequently I have had an economical mill erected which has been marvellously successful, and has increased the people's bread by a sixth. It has been a great joy to all. . . . These good people were saying, we shall be able to have another child, here is food for it." Etc.

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(Trans.) :—" I was already acquainted with Malteo Ronto Oliverano, who

Foscarini (Marco)—*continued.*

translated the 'Commedia' of Dante. And since your brother has seen a copy of this, & that on the evidence of it he has fixed the date of the poet round about 1370, I feel it my duty to warn him that this date is evidently incorrect, being beyond a doubt the year in which Brother Ronto received a visit from Enea Silvio, who soon after ascended the Papal throne. I believe that the autograph copy of this translation is in the hands of the monks Olivetanis of Sienna."

In the draft mention is made of the death of the Doge Grimani, and the dates fixed for his funeral and the election of the new Doge.

(Trans.) :—"The Doge Grimani died at Venice on the 7th of this month at 3 p.m., through inflammation of the throat and chest; to-morrow his death will be publicly announced, & the funeral will take place on Monday; on Tuesday the Great Council will meet to vote for the election of a new Doge, & the noble lord Loredano will be acclaimed through the town."

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(Trans.) :—"I implore you, sir, to remember that I had no part in those things which displeased his Majesty in my brother's behaviour. Assuredly it is a great grief to me that he has run the risk of death, but if you would propose to his Majesty that I should give you a promise, in writing, to take no proceedings with regard to him for which I have not asked permission, I will pledge my honour to keep it."

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(Trans.) :—" . . . I would inform you more particularly of our siege, if public talk had not already apprised you of it. I will only tell you that which is not a little glorious, of having taken a town, provided with all necessities and where there are two thousand three hundred infantry and more than three hundred horses." Etc.

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"I was extremely astonished to hear of the Eliot disavowel of the name of Liggins, a few days after & not in reply to any question Meta heard from Mary Ewart. 'Don't you give up the Liggins story, though the name may not be *Joseph*, or the spelling correct, I have reason to believe that he is the author.' Miss Ewart now is convinced of Miss Evans' authorship; I merely quote from this letter to show you I heard from other than the Bracebridges, & that there may have been some strong (false) evidence laid before them as well as before the calm judicious Miss Ewart. I went for a couple of days to the Sanders in May, they (from the Coventry side of the Country) spoke of Mr. Liggins as the undoubted author, & gave details of his eccentricity, not for a moment of his want of honour.

"Later still Kate Winkworth in July went to stay at Hall with the Henry Bunsen's, there she met a Warwickshire clergyman who told her that Mr. Quirk of Nuneaton had seen Scenes from Clerical Life in MSS. in Mr. Liggins handwriting. K. W. told me the name of this intermediate clergyman, but I have

Gaskell (Mrs. Elizabeth C.)—continued.

forgotten it; could easily get it though, but Mr. Quirk is the principal witness in this piece of evidence you see. Well! but now comes the most startling of all. A month or 6 weeks, no! less than 6 weeks ago, Mrs. Charles Sanders came here. I should tell you that she is the friend of the Congreves who are recently made friends of Mr. Lewes & Miss Evans. Mrs. Sanders & I talked on the Evans & Liggins controversy,—she had written to Mrs. Congreve who was I think then in Switzerland, but had received no answer. Mrs. Sanders said ‘I saw Mrs. Fisher (a friend of Hers, unknown to me) the other day, who had been sitting near to Mr. Liggins at dinner’ (this dinner must have been some day in September), ‘& he told her in so many words that he was the author of Adam Bede.’ I asked many questions of Mrs. Sanders, but she did not seem to know more than that Mrs. Fisher was a truth-telling woman, & that she said he had *volunteered* the information & talked a good deal both about A. B. & Scenes from Clerical Life, quite calmly & composedly. . . . My own idea is that his eccentricity has gone into mania on this head, & that early admiring those Scenes &c. he contrived to persuade himself he wrote them.” Etc.

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Thanking the Cardinal for his friendship, and expressing her respect for him.

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN FRENCH) TO CARDINAL RICHELIEU.

1 page, 4to. N.D.

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(Trans.):—"Custom obliges those who venerate another to express grief at any loss which they sustain, in order not to fail in this; being one of those who have the greatest feeling of respect for you, I thought it my duty to write you these lines—upon that which has lately befallen you." Etc.

CHINESE GORDON ON CHINA, EGYPT, ETC.

2263 **GORDON** (GENERAL CHARLES GEORGE, 1833-1885). "Chinese Gordon." Killed at Khartoum.

A VERY LONG AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HIS BIOGRAPHER, D. J. BOULGER.

Extending to as much as 9 pages, 4to. Jaffa, 14th August, 1883. With autograph addressed envelope bearing Austrian Levant postage stamp.

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Of exceedingly great length, as to the probability of a war between France and China, and mentioning the possibility of Li Hung Chang becoming Emperor; also concerning a projected canal through

(Continued over)

Gordon (General Charles George)—*continued.*

Palestine, and as to the desirability of evacuating Egypt, going into detail on the subject, winding up with the remark: "What a comfort to be free of Egypt and Soudan for ever."

"I shall not so far as I see leave Palestine, for it is a country which I delight in, from its old and varied history one's mind can always find good, besides, it is quiet. I do not think I could enlighten you about China, her game is and will be to wait events, and she will try and work so as to embroil us with France, if she does go to war, for this, there would be plenty of elements in the Treaty Ports—one may say humanly speaking, China going to war with France must entail our following suite. It would be a bad thing in some ways for civilization, for the Chinese are naturally bumptious, that any success would make them more so, and if allied to us, and they had success, it would be a bad lookout afterwards, this in PRIVATE. Li Hung Chang as Emperor, if such a thing came to pass, would be worse than the present Emperor, for he is sharp and clever, would unite China under a Chinese Dynasty, and be much more troublesome to deal with. Altogether I cannot think that the world would gain if China went to war with France; also I think it would be eventually bad for China. China being a queer country, we might expect queer things, and I believe if she did go to war, she would contract with Americans for the destruction of French fleets, and she would let loose a horde of adventurers with Dynamite, this is essentially her style of action, and Li Hung Chang would take it up, but do not say I think so.

"Here is a subject which I am interested in, if it could be done, the reasons are :

"1. We are in Egypt supporting an unpopular sovereign, whose tenure ends with departure of our troops. We offer no hope to the people of any solace, by the support and by the supporting of the Turco Circassian Pacha, who, I know, by experience, are hopeless. We neither govern or take responsibility, yet we support these vampires. . . .

"3. We are mixed up with the Soudan, where we finished the Rebellion, and of the responsibility of which Govt. we cannot rid ourselves.

"4. We are in constant and increasing hot water with the French, and we gain no benefit from it, for the Canal still remains theirs.

"On the other hand, if we get a Firman from Sultan for the Palestine Canal :

"1. We lose the sacred sites of Jordan River, Capernaum, Bethsaida, and Tiberias, Jericho, not Engedi.

"2. We swamp a notoriously unhealthy valley where there are no Missions?

"2. We cut off the pest of the country of Palestine, the Bedouins .

"4. We are free of all four objections in re-occupation in Egypt. . . .

"5. We gain the fertile lands of Moab and Ammon. . . .

"Do not quote me if you write this, Oddly enough Ezekiel, xlvii, 10, seems to say, the Dead Sea shall have fish like the Great Sea, i.e., the Mediterranean. Zech. xiv speaks of two rivers, one going to Dead Sea, the other to Mediterranean.

"The cost would be :—

"Say 12 to 15,000,000, and what a comfort to be free of Egypt and Soudan for ever." Etc.

2264 **GORDON** (GENERAL CHARLES GEORGE).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO LIEUT. (AFTERWARDS COLONEL) SIR CHARLES M. WATSON, R.E.

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" . . . I wish to call your attention to . . . rash adventures. I fully agree with you that the savage armed with bows and arrows are despicable enemies, and that the Arabs are far too timid, but there are occasions when they may become formidable enemies, especially when the sentries are so bad and negligent as those you will have, will probably be. . . You must however as far as possible avoid bloodshed, if pressed, then let them understand your power." Etc.

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "MY DEAR GOOD ABBÉ."

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2266 **GOUNOD** (CHARLES).

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2 pp., 8vo. Nieuport-Bains, 7th July, 1885.

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(Trans.):—" . . . There are a thousand reasons against my making you a definite promise just at present. First of all the Italian project; then the state of my health, and many unforeseen obligations which might retain me in Paris at the time in question. . . ." Etc.

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4 pp., 4to. Paris, 13th August, 1658.

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(Trans.):—"A few days ago M. Colbert showed me the importance of instantly sending a ship filled with corn to Calais. I at once sent an intelligent man to Guyenne to make sure that the thing was done without loss of time, and I gave him letters of credit and everything necessary. He wrote me that he had three thousand 'setiers' ready for loading, and that he had sent word by express messenger to M. de Theron to send a ship. I have other people as prompt, my lord, and I can assure your Eminence that you will receive, with all possible speed, the quantity of about four thousand five hundred 'setiers' of corn, which M. Colbert ordered me to despatch in two lots."

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- 2269 **GRAFFIGNY** (FRANÇOISE D'ISSEMBOURG D'HAPPENCOURT, DAME DE, 1695-1758). French Novelist and Dramatist.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

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(Trans.) :—" The last letters from the army in Italy do not say that a suspension of arms has not yet been proclaimed, on the contrary both sides continue negotiations.

" The tutor of Monseigneur the Dauphin is busy arranging his house and carriages as he is to exercise his office from the first of January next, and it is said to be certain the King will make him a Duke before then. . . .

" All the staff officers of the German Army, who have no apartments in the winter quarters, have come back here. The officers on furlough are also beginning to return, they are going to raise recruits to complete their companies." Etc.

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A most important letter, discussing at great length the Naval position in the Mediterranean. Mentioning Lord Nelson and Lady Hamilton.

" . . . I have nothing to tell you of the Fleets; it is so long since we heard of them. On the 9th of July the combined F. and Sp. fleets got thro' the Straits & on the 11th went into Cadiz. . . .

" Lord Keith is blam'd for not having gone on a little further along the coast of Genoa, but the general belief was that the French had gone round Cape Corse

Graham (Thomas, Baron Lynedoch)—*continued.*

and were coming this way to relieve Malta, & support Bonaparte wch. probably was their original intention. And therefore at Palermo they were much dissatisfy'd that he only sent the Powerful Bellerophon to Ld. Nelson instead of 4 or 5 of his three deckers, a most unreasonable expectation. Indeed in my mind, (& I have said so from the first hearing of the French being come into the Mediterranean) the great error was attempting to keep up two squadrons. . . .

"By letters from Palermo the Court and the town are occupied wth. magnificent fêtes on the King's return (he went for 3 or 4 weeks and remained off Naples in the Foudroyant). They have given Ly. Hamilton magnificent presents for having been of the party to Naples, & it is said if our Court approve that Ld. Nelson is to have the Dukedom of Bronte near Catania worth near £5000 a year." Etc.

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Simcoe, who had gained fame as Commander of the Queen's Rangers in the American War, and afterwards as Governor of Upper

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"I know of no fires, against my positive orders, fires there are too many but that is by a rascally crew of mulattoes near the village of St. Espris, the inhabitants of which should prevent it, having put themselves under our protection. . . .

"I heard from Dundas last night, he is on the heights, opposite Bourbon, we see his fires distinct. He seems to wish us to advance, but I cannot move from hence till the fate of the Island is known." Etc., etc.

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"I sang at the Palace under the torture of a terrible fit of sciatica, coupled with lumbago!! I could only move my head and arms. It was awful!! . . .

"I think you are severe on Maud Allen! It is I who made her dance before the King at Marienbad, and it is I who enabled her to get engaged at the Palace through my agent.

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"You will doubtless have observed that it was in the contemplation of Congress to employ boats for the security of revenue against contraband. I shall be glad to have your ideas as to the expediency of employing them in your quarter, and (if any appear to you necessary) of the number and kind you deem requisite, their equipments, and the probable expence. Should any have been in use under the State-regulations, I desire they may be continued, and that I may be advised with accuracy of the nature of this establishment. It has been very much apprehended that the number of ports in several of the States, would conduce to great evasions of the duties. It is my wish to be informed how far experience has justified this apprehension, and what can be done to correct the mischiefs which may have ensued, avoiding as much as possible the inconveniences which the multiplication of ports was designed to obviate." Etc.

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(Trans.)—"You will note that I have written to the king that it would be as well to issue an order to the army to be ready & fit for marching by the 15th of March. I do not doubt that the King will do so, but as letters are delayed, I must suggest to Your Highness that it would be wise, all the same, to make all the necessary preparations, in the Spanish Netherlands, here, and among the Allies who have their troops in the army, so that, perfect order once obtained, the plan can be put into execution."

Vostre lettre ma donne beaucoup de joie en
m'apprenant la santé de mr (Gobarsine) Sa
maladie mauoirs donne beaucoup d'inquietude,
et comme les postes sont assez mal est
reglees icy, elle redoubloit lors qu'un ordinaire
se passoit sans que j'apprisse de ses nouuelles
Les pere que le bon air de Fubeuil luy fera
recouurer entièrement et quil pourra
sans incommodité faire le voyage quil a
projeté. La prise de Rose et le bruit
qui court de nostre retour en Italie
fera que je pourray bien m'approcher du
Limousin. Si la Touraine n'estoit pas
si reculee je pourrois donner jusques la,
mais j'appréhenderois de n'auoir pas le temps
de faire sejour. Nous emploierons celui que

me dest mesgrin m'a chargé de vous
dire quil est vostre tres humble seruiteur
Je deuis de mr vostre pere avec le
respect et la passion d laquelle je suis
obligé

Vostre tres humble
Au camp de Rose et tres obeissant neveu
quin 1695 et seruiteur
Fron benac

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(Trans.) :—"Before everything, one word, one question. First of all, the question, for I am so very anxious to know your answer. Is it true what one hears here on all sides, that you are coming to Paris? More than that, this month? O do so, do so! If it is in any way possible, such a visit could only have the best possible effect on an artist and his art. I speak in a somewhat self-interested way because I, more than all others, should rejoice if you came; besides that I am sure that you will believe me, your presence would give me much pleasure, even if you were not my sympathetic friend and patron. Your last letter was a real consolation to me. . . . Next week you will receive my next book of studies; may I ask you to watch over that tedious affair. . . . I got £2 for the 75 Studies. Hallé is so good as to send you the studies through the French ambassador. Your pupil, Miss Wrey, plays your 'fantasie' quite nicely. . . . Please don't forget me should a new batch of 'music-seeking islanders' come to Paris. . . . I am very discontented with an article in Schumann's paper by a Mr. Fels . . . who is a great ignoramus by profession. . . . Schumann has asked me for an article. So I'm very glad to be able to speak straight out from my heart on the subject of Moscheles, all the more so as Schumann loves you, and will be very pleased about it. . . ."

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La repone par montaigne qui sera d'un bon
 point se peut car seigneur. Ruy qu'on s'en
 en vray est une d'air se geray en sette
 reation comme par l'air ven en bon
 coup d'air et seigneur de vous avec tout
 grandement d'air et vous seigneur
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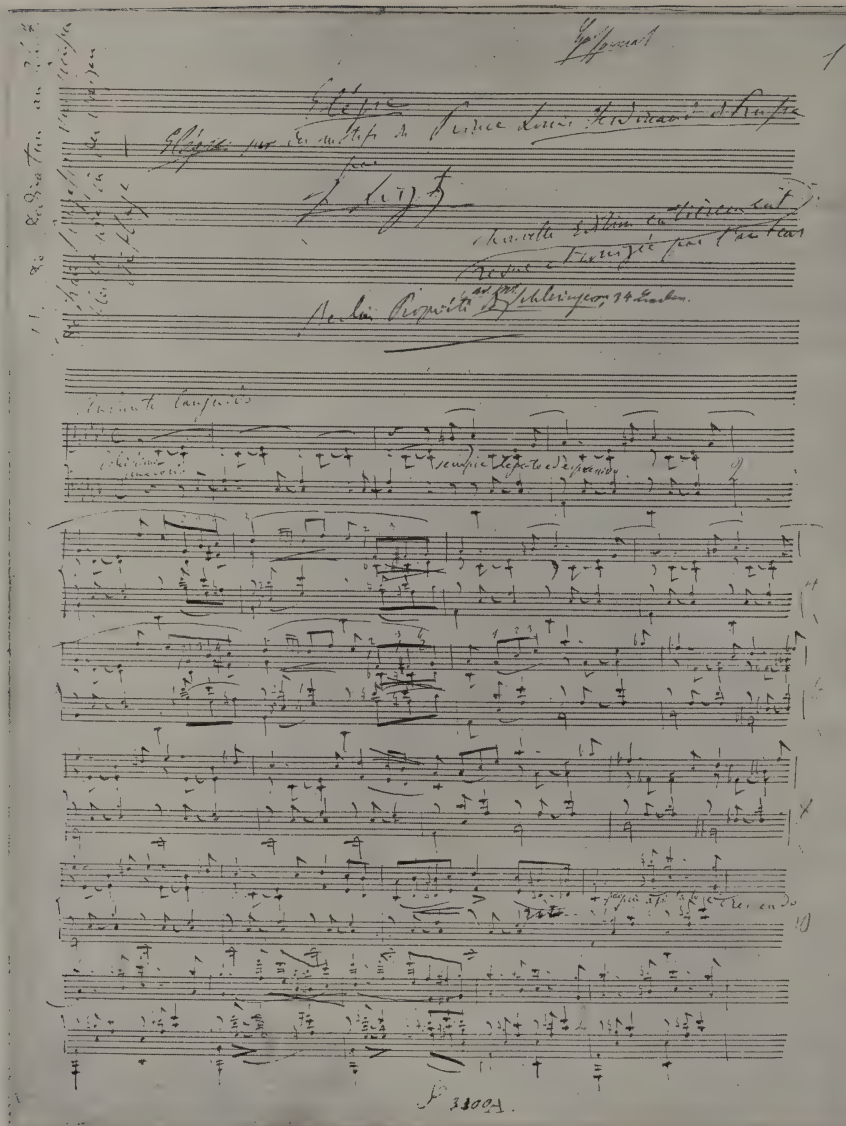
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 Queen of Charles I.

HENRIETTA MARIA, QUEEN OF CHARLES I.

Autograph Letter Signed.

(Facsimile shows second page).

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FRANZ LISZT.
Autograph Musical Manuscript Signed
(Facsimile shows first page).
See Item No. 2360.

- 2334 **KINCARDINE** (ALEXANDER BRUCE, 2ND EARL OF, died 1681).
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" . . . I have no wish for a change of practice, all I wanted was to let you
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matters with regard to it are discussed I think my presence would be of benefit.

" I have not the slightest feeling of being left out or any thing of that sort
. . . but I only suggest this measure as one that my past experience in this office
leads me to think would be for the good of the work.

" As you agree with me could not Besant be told to let me know when matters
with regard to the map were likely to be discussed. I could be in readiness."
Etc., etc.

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In beast and bird, saith he;
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Oh, Fire." Etc.

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(Trans.) :—" Having learnt that your Eminence is going for a change of air,
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causes me to send the bearer to learn news of you, and to assure you that you have
no servant more sensibly afflicted by the knowledge of your long illness than myself.
All that I can do in your service is to pray God to preserve you, never forgetting
the obligations I owe to the goodness of your Eminence, who will be pleased to let
me assure him that the Princes are very well." Etc.

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which were sent. But as he is now in France, as I believe or perhaps already on
his way back it seemed useless to me to send his share as I am sure he has had
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 Wie kühn hast du gedacht, wie rein empfunden
 Wie tief enthüllt der Menschheit tiefste Wunden.”

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Livingstone (David)—*continued.*

purpose so I brought them home. He got them from his subjects, the Batoka as tribute, the Batoka live east of him in Lat. 16° and 17° S. Long. 25° to 26° East. They smelt and work the iron from the ore which occurs in rounded masses all over their country, and may be detached from beds in which they lie with pointed sticks. It occurs in large quantity on the North Bank of the Zambesi above Fete, called the country of Bassengo. I brought specimens of it, and they are now in the Museum of practical Geology, Jermyn St. One of these is the specular iron ore. The Bassengo work it as well as the Batoka. There can be no doubt of its being purely a native manufacture. The other, or larger hoes, are said to have been made by some tribes near Quilimane. . . . If the inability of your friend to make a rifle arises from want of material only I have two still by me, viz., one of each sort. I should have most confidence in the Batoka iron as I have seen its great toughness when an assegai or spear of it lighted on the cranium of a hippopotamus it curled up.

. . . instead of breaking, and the owner straightened it again with two stones. Could a gun of any kind be made of it? Or anything else to test its powers. I should be glad to be able to refer to your friend's opinion of the iron in my work.

"Apart from the above I am anxious to order two rifles for about £15 each—double barrelled—not highly finished, but quite trustworthy. One for Sekeletu, the other for myself. I left the ivory which Sekeletu sent to purchase his at Quilimane, but will pay with my own money here. . . .

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ON THE DEATH OF HIS MOTHER.

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Interesting letter relative to an alliance with the Swiss; mentioning the Princess of Orange.

(Trans.) :—" . . . I have received your letter of the 13th of this month and to-day the Bailli of Amiens, President of Bourgne. and myself are setting out to go to the Leaguers with the best speed we may, and we shall pass near the Princess of Orange to learn from her all she has arranged with them up to the present in order to be able to serve the king better in this. My Lord Treasurer it is necessary in the business upon which we are going for us to be informed of all news, wherefore I would beg you to send me word of it at length when the King writes to us, and you will oblige me. My lord Treasurer, we being with the Leaguers several people of that district will ask us if after the alliance is completed the King will not raise some number from it to serve him. And therefore it has seemed to us good that you should learn the King's will, that you may know what reply we shall make to them on this matter and send us word of it by the first post. We are of opinion that it would be profitable to answer them in the affirmative, for that will stir up the common people to enter into alliance and force the rich to it." Etc.

- 2373 **LORRAINE** (CHARLES III, DUC DE). Prince de Vandermont. Famous for his bravery and for abandoning his estates to Louis XIV.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HIS NEPHEW DUKE ALBERT OF BAVARIA.

1 page, 4to.

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Sending wine to his correspondent's father and "cups of Paris" to his nephew.

- 2374 **LORRAINE** (FRANÇOIS-ARMAND DE, 1665-1728). Called L'Abbé de Lorraine, Bishop of Bayeux.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW, ANTOINE GRIMALDI, PRINCE OF MONACO.

4 pp., 4to. Versailles, 24th April, 1689.

£4 10s

Very interesting letter, in which the writer sends a detailed report of a duel which took place in the surroundings of Trianon between his brother, Henri, Comte de Brionne, and M. d'Hautefort. The King (Louis XIV) and M. de Luxembourg, in the name of the Marshals, have decided that the writer's brother has acted quite correctly, and that his adversary was to be blamed because he was the first to draw his sword.

- 2375 **LORRAINE** (HENRIETTE DE, 1605-1660). Married the Prince of Phalsbourg. When Gaston d'Orléans fled to Lorraine (1631) she became the mistress of his favourite, M. de Puylorens, and negotiated the marriage of her sister Marguerite to "Monsieur."

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AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED TO "MADAME."

1 page, 4to. Cologne, 16th June, 1646.

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TO CHARLES II.

- 2377 **LOUDOUN** (JOHN CAMPBELL, 1ST EARL OF, 1593-1663). Famous Covenanter. Lord Chancellor of Scotland. Assisted at the Coronation of Charles II. in Scotland in 1651.

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- 2378 **LOUIS XIV.** (1638-1715). King of France.

LETTER SIGNED TO THE MARQUIS DE BELLEFONT.

1 page, 4to, with seals and silks. Paris, 22nd October, 1664.

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(Trans.): "The signing of the treaty of Pisa does not leave me anything to reply to what you wrote me in your last letter of the state of the way from Bologna to Florence. It only causes me to confirm that you will know at an early date my intentions regarding yourself, and I must tell you in advance that a post in Germany of which you wrote me, will be impossible."

Tres Chers et très amis, Vous avez bien voulu accorder à
 ma recommandation dans votre Chapitre noble une
 place à la D^{lle} de Nivenelle — qui par des
 raisons de famille n'a pas pu profiter de cette
 faveur, vous me feriez un sensible plaisir de l'accorder
 aujourd'hui à la D^{lle} de Sarciselle à la quelle j'ai pris
 ainsi qu'à sa famille le plus vif intérêt, Vous m'avez
 donné à cette occasion trop de témoignage du desir que
 vous avez de me plaire pour n'être pas persuadé
 que je vous trouverai disposé à faire ce que je vous
 demande pour la D^{lle} de Sarciselle qui réunie à sa
 naissance toutes les qualités propres à la faire agréer
 dans votre Chapitre. Je verrai avec une vraie sensibilité
 l'accueil que vous ferez à ma demande et j'en saisirai
 toujours avec empressement toutes les occasions et
 vous en marquerai ma reconnaissance et de vous donner
 de témoignage de ma satisfaction, ainsi que de
 l'affection et de la bienveillance que j'ai pour vous.
 Sur ce Je prie Dieu qu'il vous ait Et c'est cher et
 bien aimé en sa S^{te} garde. e Marie Antoinette
 Ecrit à Versailles le 5. Mars 1780.

MARIE ANTOINETTE, QUEEN OF FRANCE.

Letter Signed.

See Item No. 2395.

in Missionem suam conuolaret: Deo nimirum plenus, eoque ardere spiritus,
quo Christiani omnes suae inflammaret, et quo ipse sane vehementius
ardebat, quam ullo unquam igne crematum cui cognui exaruerit.
Parva. Despectus erat; honestis, piisque parentibus ingreus fuerat
in Societatem anno 1621, tum viginti et unum annos natus.
ad Professionem quatuor votorum fuerat admissus anno 1626.
finem denique vivendi fecit quarto Xmas Julij anni 1628.
vir sane egregius, vereque dignus filius Societatis; humilis, obediens,
coniunctus Deo, inuida semper. Patientia, infractaque in rebus
arduit animi: sic adeo et nobis virtutum omnium exemplum illustre;
Christiani barbaris, fidei ac pietatis sensum eximium; Omnibus,
desiderium sui grane reliquerit, ipse etiam infidelibus daturus domum,
et quidem speramus, toti hinc Regioni, Patrum in coeli potentissimum.

quodammodo
Philippus
Paulus

Et vere omni e nobis hominibus sanctitatis praeceptis, et probatissima
humilitatis, sanctae atque iustae potestatem adesse visum est. Ac
primum quidem nostris Patribus in concilium tractis, atque agentibus,
et silent, de re Christiana promouenda, videbatur interesse. Patres
Anteriori, qui nos consilio, qui nos robore, qui nos omnes, diuino, quo
plenus erat, spiritu recreant. Postea se conspiciendum obtulit augustinus
vultu, et eo sane qui nihil humanum spiraret amorum, et ex ore
consequi poterat, plus minus viginti. Rogatus Patres, quid voluisset
diuina Bonitas Serui sui cognui tam indigne post mortem haberi,
tampe inhoneste foedatum vulnere sic flammis consumi, nobis ut
nihil huius restaret, ac ne cunctis quidem exiguis. Illi quos inquit, et
Domini, et Landavalli nimirum: respexit in hac opportunitate Serui sui,
atque et ea diuino modo compensaret, dedit mihi multas animas
Purgatorias, quo triumphum in coeli meum cognitarentur.

Inferri et scribendi faciam; neque equitole modum excedam, addam
plura. Quod primum omnium debuerat scribi: cum nimirum esse
datum huius Domus, totiusque adeo Missionis, et ut putem quidquam
addi posse ad pietatem, obedientiam, humilitatem, patientiam, Charitatem
nostrum, atque adeo ad exactam. Regularum observantiam. Omnium
vero est Cor unum, anima una, et unaque Spiritus Societatis. Immo
quod magis mirum videri debeat, e tot domesticis hominibus, tam
diuersis conditionibus, tamque diuersi ingenij; Seruis, pueris, domesticis, militibus,
nullis omnino est qui serio Saluti Animae suae non vacet, plane ut sine
exultet tribum, hic virtus imperet, hac Sanctitati Domus sua videatur.
Iud nostrum sane est gaudium, Pax in bello nata, nostraeque Summa
securitas, quicquid enim dispones de nobis diuina Providentia, sine
in vitam, sine in mortem, haerit consolatio nostra, quae Domini
Summi, atque et sperare licet, atque eximium. Hoc ita ut fiat, petimus
benedictionem Patris, et nobis, et Missioni nostrae, ego praeceptis
omnium indignissimus, sed tamen

Ex domo S^{ae} Mariae
apud Hurones, in
nova Francia
Calendis Martij
Calendis Augustibus anni 1629

Humilissimus & obsequentissimus filius
Paulus Ragueneau

2379 **LOUIS XIV.** King of France.

HIS SIGNATURE "L" AND AUTOGRAPH NOTE, IN THE MARGIN OF A DOCUMENT CONCERNING THE COST OF WATER CONDUITS IN THE ROYAL PALACE.

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(Trans.):—"I am very well, dear daughter, as well as everyone who is here. The bad weather which we have had is, I think, over, and I hope that it will not come back again. I am returning to-day to Valenciennes. I am not replying to your sister through the Queen's equerry having written to her by post, also it is your turn. I will write to her from Douay.

"Adieu, dear daughter, I love you and embrace you heartily."

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"This letter was written in the first 8 months of my arrival, and Mr. O'Meara's work proves the perfect justness of my anticipations.

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(Trans.) :—"I have just received two letters from you, and I see with pain that the less pleasant one is the later. However I am not complaining and with any other than you I should experience great bitterness. I am not at all deceived in your behaviour, and whatever people have told me I have maintained that nothing would make you inveigh against me. I know your affection and your sense of justice. That is what is necessary to receive what I have done in the way you have received it. You are too just to doubt the motive which has made me act. That which concerns God comes first, but if it had been Him alone, other souls were as precious to Him as those of your children and I should have been able to make converts of those who would have cost me less. It is then the affection which I have had for you all my life which caused me to wish fervently to be able to do something for what is dearest to you. I made use of your absence as the only time I could succeed in it. I have carried off your daughter through impatience to have her and to bring them up to my liking, and I have deceived and grieved your wife so that she should not be suspected by you as she would have been if I had made use of any other means to demand my niece of her. These, my dear cousin, are my intentions, which are good and upright, which cannot be suspected of any selfishness and of which you cannot disapprove, even while they grieve you. As I do you justice and as your displeasure affects me, do justice to me also and receive with affection the greatest proof that I can give you of mine, since I am offending one whom I love and esteem in order to help children whom I can never love so much as him, and who will lose me before I can know whether they are ungrateful or not. The letter which you wrote to your son made all the people of honour and feeling to whom I have shown it, weep. It has so affectionate and so firm a style, that it goes even further than any idea I had formed. But to speak like you, let us never discuss controversial matters, and let us bring up your children together. To that end I am going to tell you what I think about them so that our instructions may agree. Your son has intelligence and sense. He is agreeable, well disposed, full of good intentions, ambitious, bold and in a word, I have seen nothing bad in him except great self-conceit, too filled with a sense of his own deserts, always taken up with himself, never with others, always asking questions, too great a talker, restless, not liking reading, all the faults of a man who has been admired. I spoke to him about it and he corrected himself of it so quickly that I cannot understand it. I thought I should annoy him by proposing the academy to him, and that he would be reluctant to become a scholar after being an officer on parole

Maintenon (Françoise D'Aubigné, Marquise de)—*continued*.

and then a courtier. This is where I saw his common sense, he was delighted and he behaved in such a manner there that Bernardi sends me word every day that he has never had a young man so agreeable, so discreet and so industrious as he. We had a slight quarrel because I demanded that he should only go out to come to the court. I know the severity of this order, the master also knows that nothing could be better for him on account of this district here and that he cannot be too prudent if he wants to please the king. M. de Fourbin brings him to me every week. That is good for him and more useful than being with a prince of the blood. We will leave him at the academy as long as you think good. Write to him often, require him to reply. He writes badly and is lazy about it, otherwise he is not so. He has grown a little but he will be short. Your daughter is almost like him except that I find her even more diligent in correcting herself and in wishing to please. She has also the same faults and thinks herself wonderful, only thinking about her person. She has been spoilt in this direction by the blindness of fathers and mothers, for she is certainly not at all beautiful and will not be so. However I am very pleased with her and very much hope to make a worthy woman of her, but I implore you, my dear cousin, not to take her from Poitou, not make requests to me against what I think right." Etc.

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(Trans.) :—" Not only do I approve of Madame de Villette's journey if it is necessary for her health, but I exhort her to take it, for she will find more help here than in the province. I am sorry she is obliged to lodge with Huguenots because I shall not dare to send her children to see her as often and for as long as elsewhere. I am afraid also that she will come at a time when they are all away, and so that she may be acquainted with the plans of the Court, I am going to tell her what I know of them. Say then that the King starts for Compiègne the 4th of March, will return here the 20th of the same month, will leave the 15th of May to go and see his troops encamped on the Saone, will return here the 15th of July, will leave the 15th of September for Chambort, and will come to Fontainebleau the 15th of October, will be there until the 15th of November and we shall return here to spend the winter. During these journeys your daughter is in a convent and your musketeers will be in camp. Such is the information I can give Madame de Villette. If she comes while I am here and if her health permits her to come I shall be glad to see her.

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"As for Jacob Faithful, I have no idea of what to say. I am quite *down*. I would begin with the best & longest of the Sicilian fact this month—they are sure to answer. We shall have something from Lady Morgan, a Preface to the new year. All the rest we must do ourselves, but God knows, I am little fit for anything. Imprisonment for debt must also go in, as a make up but it wants a good article or two, & you had better try one in the funny vein." Etc.

" . . . My punishment of Soppery will be more noble. I intend to immortalize him in Jacob Faithful—hand him down to posterity or the pastry Cooks—as chance may decide." Etc.

" . . . And now about the Magazine which I have had time to examine. The first article, Japhet, Drama & on War are good, but I must make remarks

Marryat (Captain Frederick)—*continued.*

upon the others. As for the poetry, pray put as little in as possible, & let that little be only the very best." Etc.

" . . . As for *Jacob* I wouldn't put another line in him to save S. & O. from perdition. It is complete as it is—& stet.

"You will put all the rest of *Jacob* in this month." Etc.

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My Lord seeing you do not beginne
 your Journey to Roiston to day I
 presume you will not go till Friday
 .i. and if you and my cabin fellow
 will be within to morrow in the after
 noon being thursday I will com and
 spend all the after noon with you
 godwilling .i. if you both be alone that
 our conversation be not hinderd it
 will be the better; for after I have
 bin at chelsey but heave and hoborne
 I thinke not to stur till my lord
 come back .i. and so in hast farewell
 to your lordship; take to use my girl
 manerly and with that respect that
 belongs to my daughter; for I am the
 wife of the truest friend your lordship
 hath bise my sweet cabin fellowe
 from me your lordships cogen
 FRICHMOND & LENOX
 whitthall
 wensday

FRANCES, DUCHESS OF RICHMOND AND LENNOX.

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Christmas Eve.

Christmas hath a darkneſs
 Brighter than the blazing noon,
 Christmas hath a chillneſs
 Warmer than the heat of June;
 Christmas hath a beauty
 Lovelier than the world can ſhow,
 For Christmas bringeth Jeſus
 Brought for us ſo low.

Earth, ſtrike up your muſic,
 Birds that ſing & bells that ring;
 Heaven hath answering muſic
 For all Angels ſoon to ſing:
 Earth, put on your whitest
 Bridal robe of ſpotleſs ſnow,
 For Christmas bringeth Jeſus
 Brought for us ſo low.

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"There was a fair Footman of Torrington Square
Desired to a Theatre Royal to repair,
With her nieces three, purple as Scotia's thistle,
And enjoy the rich humours of great Mr. Cecil,
Who of the Comic Muse Questionless mate is,
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Like the dream of some village chime,
Which in youth we lov'd to hear.
And ev'n amidst the great and gay,
When music tries her gentlest art,
I never heard so sweet a lay,
Or one that hangs so round my heart." Etc.

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He then explains that he has been away from home for more than six years, having left Piedmont because of the war and took refuge in Monteferrato. He worked for the Marquis and for Cardinal Theodore, his brother and he are at present occupied in painting a chapel in the castle of Casale. He ardently wishes to return to his native land and he protests his devotion to the Duke, whose very faithful servant he has been and will remain so till death.

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"I have seen him nearly every day during these last weeks; in spite of his failing strength he hoped his return which was fixed for to-morrow would have a beneficial effect on his health. He would not allow anybody to stay with him during the night, and at 11 o'clock last night when Furstenau had accompanied him to his bed, he seems to have got up again in order to bolt his door as was his habit; for in the morning it had to be forced, and it was in this sad moment that Sir George Smart sent for me. We found him with his head on his left arm as if he were asleep. This was the end of this excellent man, whose last opera (Oberon) breathes grace and charm."

During his stay in Vienna in 1826 the writer regrets not to find Beethoven in town.

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Sacrament Hymn

On a fair Sabbath day, when his banquet is spread
It is pleasant to feast with my Lord:
His stewards staid tobed at the foot & the head
Of the soul-filling life-giving board

All the guests here had burthens; but by the King's grace
We left them behind when we came;
The burthen of wealth and the burthen of want
And even the burthen of shame.

And oh! when we take them again at the gate,
Though still we must bear them awhile,
Much smaller they'll seem in the lane that grows ^{stiller}
And much lighter to life at the stile.

For that which is in us is life to the heart,
Is dew to the soles of the feet,
Fresh strength to the loins, giving ease from their smart,
Warmth in front, & a braise in the heart.

London Nov.^r 26.th 99. —

My dear and kind Friend

How shall I thank you for all your sweet attentions? I returned to Town only last Wednesday have played twice since that time to Audiences whose numbers were equal to their apparent gratification, I believe the most zealous & benignant of my friends must have been content with both - This comes too near the praising of myself, but I think it will please you to know it, and let that be my excuse. I am just returned from playing Fane Shore, and this is the first moment I have been able to call my own since I came to Town. I have told you already what a wretched correspondent I am, and indeed the truth is, I have not time for it, but I cannot suffer

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(Trans.):—" . . . We have eighteen Fathers here, besides four assistants, twenty-three permanent servants and seven temporary ones (to whom alone wages are paid), four boys and eight soldiers. Certainly the warlike fury of the barbarian armies presses us to such an extent that if we did not wish to lose our hopes together with ourselves in a moment and to see extinguished all the faith which has already been so widely spread in these regions, it would have been necessary to us to ask for a garrison of men who at the same time would be ignorant of domestic work, of agriculture, of the construction of a fort and of military matters; for since our settlement, which we call the House of St. Mary, had for many years already been surrounded by many cities friendly to us, extending from year to year to every part of the Huron country, we had more to fear for them than for ourselves from a hostile invasion. Thus it was that however small our number, we all lived safe and sound; but the whole aspect of our affairs, of the affairs of the whole region has been changed, for so many of our Hurons were broken by disaster that when the fortifications that were in front had been captured and laid waste by fire and sword,

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Ragueneau (Paul)—continued.

many were forced to change their habitation and retreat. Hence it has resulted that we are already without any outside fortification and are forced to rely on our own men and on our own spirits for protection in front. The Frenchmen who are with us regarded this our House of St. Mary as a citadel, or rather as a home; while our Fathers went out far and wide scattered through the cities of the Hurons and through the Algonquin nations situated far away from us, each one watching over his own mission and intent only on the preaching of the Word, all the care of temporal things rested on those who stayed at home. . . . We count 1700 people whom we have baptised here last year; I am leaving out several who, as I shall indicate below, were baptised by Father Antonius Baniol, and of the number of whom I cannot be quite sure; nor indeed are those Christians, but rather barbarians whom it would be wise to suspect of being ignorant of heavenly things and not suited to our mysteries. . . . We founded eleven missions, eight in the Huron country and three in the Algonquin country, the work being divided amongst the older Fathers. Four of those sent to us last year were unable to speak the language, so that we had to send companions with these. Thus only three Fathers remained at home. One who looked after spiritual things, one who was Procurator and Minister, and the third was in charge of the House of the Christians and looked after those who came in by chance; for we helped the poverty of the Christians out of our poverty and looked after their diseases, not only of the souls but of the body, which is indeed the most important part of Christian things. Those who received our hospitality here last year number nearly six thousand and indeed it seems almost as great a wonder in this foreign country, in this place of horrors and vast solitude, as it would be to extract honey from a stone or oil from the hardest rock. . . .

“ One thing only seems to us to threaten the happy position of our growing Church here and to delay the course of Christianity; that is the dangers of war and the fury of the armies. For it grows up from year to year and it does not seem that any help can come from us, but only from God. The last calamity which fell on our Hurons was the worst of all. It happened in the month of July of last year, 1648, for when many of our Hurons had set out towards Quebec to see our French, in order to do business, and one work and another had caused many to be absent themselves from the city and many had taken up warlike expeditions elsewhere, suddenly an unexpected army appeared, despoiled two cities, and set fire to them. There was cruelty everywhere, mothers were taken away into captivity with their children and there was no respect for age. One of the despoiled cities was St. Joseph, which was one of our chief missions. Indeed a church had been constructed there where the people were taught Christian habits and where the faith had already taken strong roots. The Chief of this Church was Father Antonius Baniol, a man of great courage, of great patience and in fact of all the virtues, but above all else, of great goodness. He had already completed his work towards the East and in fact, none of those who had already become Christians had ever left the Church again. Suddenly the shouts of enemies were heard and all ran to arms to prepare for battle, and others prepared for flight. On one side there was terror, on the other there was weeping. Antonius immediately ran to that part which was in greatest danger from the enemy. He encouraged his men and put faith not only into the Christians, but even into those who were not. He spoke with such ardor of the soul of his contempt of death and of the joys of Paradise that he already seemed to be enjoying his beatitude; and indeed many came seeking to be baptised, in fact so many of them that it was impossible to take them one by one, but he sprinkled

Ragueneau (Paul)—continued.

water about him and baptised the whole people who surrounded him. In the meanwhile, the fury of the enemies was not becoming less and many were being continually laid low by shots which were coming from far and wide. In fact several received their baptism at the same time as they received the fatal blow. When others began to take flight he was so intent on caring for their souls and on helping others that he forgot about himself. He ran about, looking after the ill, and the old, and the infants, running into their houses and filling them all with his zeal. At length he betook himself to the Church where the hope of eternal glory had caused many Christians to go, and the fear of the fires of the lower regions had also sent some of the Catechumens, preaching to them with vehemence and putting forward the aspects of the true faith and the arguments of true penitence, he strengthened those who were already baptised and absolved their sins, and filled all with the ardour of divine charity. Thus all spoke with one voice there and to-day they are all brothers in Paradise, believing and hoping that God loves them for ever. Already the enemy had ascended the mound and was setting fire to houses in the whole city. They were encouraging each other as they despoiled the place to go towards the temple, for there a vast herd of women and children had taken refuge, as is usual. The Christians felt the enemy coming on and Antonius told them to take to flight on that side which was still free. He himself did his best to delay the enemy and looked after the fleeing herd as a good shepherd, putting himself in the way of an armed soldier, who was coming on and breaking his approach. He was one man against them all, but he was so full of strength and bravery that it was as a lion that dies, he, who all his life had been gentle as a dove. Indeed, as Jeremiah seems to say, as a lion leaves his shade because his land is turned into desolation by the anger of the dove and the anger of men. At length, he was struck down by the mortal blow of a catapult, which was sent against him, and with his body filled with arrows, he gave up his soul to God as a good shepherd who looks after his sheep, calling on Jesus as he died. His bloodless body was taken by the enemy and more wounds were inflicted on it even after he was dead. At length it was cast into the middle of the church and burned with it, to such an extent that not one bone remained; indeed nothing could have been burned up more thoroughly. While he had been thus delaying the enemy, many of the fugitives had fled away. A conquering army followed them all and killed mothers and children as they walked, how many of them I do not know.

"Antonius had already passed his fourteenth year in presiding over this mission to the Hurons, always successful and verily born for the salvation of those peoples, but certainly ripe for Heaven. He was the first of all of the members of our Society to be seized away to a sudden but not unexpected death, for he had always lived in such a way as to be always prepared for death, and divine goodness had always been especially favourable towards him; for he had given the weekly absolution to the members of the Society on that very first day of July, in this house of St. Mary, and on the very next day, without any delay and without anyone seeking him, he had gone away to his own mission full of the spirit of God, and so ardently that he inflamed all the other Christians, and the flame was so ardent that by it his body was burnt up." Etc.

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Ruskin (John)—*continued.*

it up, and am resolved to go on with my own quiet work in quiet way : the more so because the chief obstacle to my main wish is not the opposition of Rosie's people, but my own sense of failing health—if my health gave way but a little more under the new Oxford work, it would make me feel it my duty to give up all thoughts of Rosie. But if by rest, I can recover heart & strength, and resolve to carry my point, thinking that I *ought*, I make no doubt but I shall, Professor or no Professor." Etc.

" . . . Of late, though no wise better in health, I have been led, or driven, into more writing than is good for me, both in occasional letters, and in some which are appearing in various newspapers, of which I will send you the entire series when complete, or incomplete, whichever is their destiny. . . .

Although I threw up the Oxford Professorship, I have accepted an official appointment to a Cambridge lectureship which involves only the giving of one lecture! Being annually changed in the holder, and the original three lectures required being now very theologically reduced to one. But it is official, which gives me at once position such as I wanted, and I mean to take pains with the one lecture, making it as quietly useful & thoughtful, and as little showy, as my skill can contrive." Etc.

" . . . I have no pride in my writings or my knowledge (of art), the first I know to be third rate; and the second I cannot show. Science is a mechanical weariness to me, and every day seems lost. . . . It may please you to hear that I have been requested to stand on the liberal side for the Lord Rectorship of Glasgow, next November, and have promised to do so." Etc.

"The ballad is exquisite, do please let us have the end (and as far from the beginning as may be) on Sunday.

No, I don't think I'm much to be pitied at present, though the work is a little—more deliberate—let us say, than usual. You know my views on ethical subjects, and how much I always thought Science bettered in becoming Con-science."

" . . . I have been discovering a great deal, and thinking a great deal, for my autumn lectures, and this Florence is very wonderful to me, it has put everything out of my head." Etc.

"I have been drawing much, and failing more than last year, through having my mind on future lectures as well, yet I have done some pretty things.

My writing gets worse, do what I will. I fancy the general discontent of my mind shows in the reckless form of letters as much as in anything." Etc.

" . . . The merciless idea struck me last night. That at some day or other, you would have to read these new lectures of mine, you might just as well get done with it at once, by reading my second revise as it comes from press, and making pencil marks for me. The sheets will come out so thorough, that, honestly, I hope this may be no wise a burden, but sometimes a little amusement to you, and your fresh quick eye will be invaluable to me." Etc.

" . . . Of late I have been necessarily silent to all my friends, a glooming temper having come upon me which it is wrong to express, while yet I can express no other. I do not think it is any form of disease but the natural consequence of spending one's life in antagonism to most of the human influences round one, having no faith in any supernatural influence for support. I have been also working hard, involuntarily, the journey to Rome having necessarily set me thinking in many directions at once; but weather interfering with various provocation with my work, and for example, compelling me to go three times a day instead of one, to the same

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place for gleams of sun between storms, or of lull from whirlwind and dust, I have however already done and learned much." Etc.

" . . . I may make a little money by my books still, even though I write sensible ones. If I don't, I shall stop writing, and live a few years longer probably than I should as an author." Etc.

" . . . About Fors binding; when it is published with the ' works ' it will be paragraphed and another woodcut or two added, becoming a guinea volume instead of a seven shilling one. But this not till it is finished. I hope that it will go on for some time, if however, you like to bind it at once and have the first edition as part of the series I will form a rough probable estimate of the volumes likely to issue before this can, and really fix what I can do.

The question with me is only, whether it is to be 22 or 24 of the ' works.'

The first sheets, Vol. 6. of them are coming to you this week, I hope with my revised proof. I want you to see, when my proof is in a mess, if the printer has got it clear. Then run your eye just over the clear proof to catch any gross mistake, a point you would like me to alter, but don't read carefully for I've no time to make this book anything more than just passable. Life is not long enough and I've far more important work on hand." Etc.

" Can you dine with me at six to-day. My bookseller Ellis is coming to talk over copyrights of books. I've been having such larks with S. and E.

Couldn't write before. Trophaeorus all right, the flag with red cross always carried by Christ at resurrection, to be worked out at length, couldn't spoil it by a note at a time.

But I *am* in a deuce of a fix at last, about St. Paul. I really wanted to be civil to him and the old Covenanters and salvation by faith folks (for Maggie's sake, & the likes of her), so I kept him among my eight saints, and I've just heard, and on good authority, that the Germans had ascertained him to be Simon Magus!"

" . . . My head is full of Swallow's heads and tails, because I'm going to lecture on Robin, Swallow and Crow this term, and can neither find out why a Swallow has a swallowtail nor a crow a crowfoot, to my satisfaction, of course the tail is to steer with, but I don't see the good of all that forking.

Also I'm at work on some sections, trying to make snowdrops leaves out of paper. Ask Maggie to gather a snowdrop and try if she can make its petal out of paper anyhow, the outer petal I mean." Etc.

" I'm so wild about the serrated edge of the swallows outer wing feather that I can't write of anything else to-day. . . .

Here's a common tern just come by post Terna Hirundo—good gracious, the beauty of him! Buy one, and just look at his under beak and his little tender toes." Etc.

" Things have been going on unusually well for me these last ten days, since I got here, and set myself to complete my Stones of Venice, and I count it a notable completion of this good fortune to get this letter and circular from you. Nothing can possibly be better in tone and matter than your circular, and it is a very deep pleasure to me to find you again in connection with my father's work. . . . I am doing some drawings which will make some impression also, if I may judge by their effect on simple critics here."

" . . . I have to give an address early in January at the architectural museum for which I have to prepare an illustration or two & can't stir from home

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Ruskin (John)—*continued.*

till all that is off my mind too. I'm only just beginning to think of the lectures, my political economy has taken up all my spare morning time till now.

"The subject of the lecture will be 'Iron, in Nature, Art & Politics.' Mind you take the chair, or else I shan't know how to begin, and mind you don't say anything complimentary to me, because it wouldn't be pretty nor proper—any more than in me to say very much about you—except only that I shouldn't have inflicted myself on the good people of Tunbridge Wells without your encouragement."

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" . . . You have heard from my Son, before now I suppose; I know I saw a Letter at Lancaster from him directed to you; he told you, I suppose of my just getting there time enough to dress for the Play, this was running the old gentleman (Time I mean) hard, but I had bought the pleasure of seeing Bothwell with you my dear Miss Coates very cheaply with the price of the anxieties that delay cost me, I repented me not. But my dear Harry having oddly and perversely enough taken into his head (like my other friends that I could not *work* you know) that it is my *way* to be late always, made me leave Lancaster by eight o'clock the Sunday following. I got to Skipton about five in the evening and was detained till the next morning for want of Horses. Dear fellow! he was very much affected at parting with me, and I no less regretted him. I think when the crude materials of his composition are ripened by Time and observation, he will be a fine creature; the more I conversed with him the more I found instinctive fondness heightened by his excellent understanding and very amiable qualities, his mind is capable of every lovely and great perception, and he only wants to get rid of his unjustifiable portion of diffidence, and to see & hear good things, to make him a

Siddons (Mrs. Sarah)—*continued*.

fine Actor. Do not fancy this is blind partiality, for I look at those I love 'with all the malice of a friend.' We used to talk of you very often & you perhaps will be the only person to doubt the result of our conversations; and indeed my dear Miss Coates, I sincerely regret that two people so well calculated to live together as you and me, are likely to see so little of each other in this weary pilgrimage, where there are so few that one *desired* to see; but you are better engaged than you would be living in London, but I will not blame myself, for diverting your attention from objects more worthy, during my stay at Glasgow, for you would only return to your duty with more alacrity, & Shakespear says, 'men are *often made better*, by being a little *bad*.' This is a sentiment to be carefully promulgated methinks, and yet I believe 'tis true." Etc.

" . . . I returned to Town only last Wednesday, have played twice since that time to audiences whose numbers were equal to their apparent gratification, I believe the most zealous & tenacious of my Friends must have been content with both. This comes too near the praising of myself, but I think it will please *you* to know it, and let that be my excuse. I am just returned from playing Jane Shore, and this is the first moment I have been able to call my own since I came to Town." Etc.

" . . . My spirits are absolutely worn out with fatigue, the springs of my poor machine have been overstrained, and I must have complete rest of body and mind to restore them to their natural tone again, so I fear you will find me very stupid. . . .

" It is my intention to go to Holy Head, and after seeing my dear Mr. Piozzi at Denbigh, to make the best of my way to Harrowgate, whither I have been meditating a visit by the advice of many of my friends for some years past. There I mean to remain for a month at least, to try the effect of the water for a complaint, which tho not dangerous has been an unspeakable torment to me; I have with me that dear young woman whom you have heard me mention with so much affection and esteem, I mean Miss Wilkinson, who say *I have an atmosphere of my own*. I remember your laughing at this in my dressing room at Glasgow, let me know where to address you, for in about a fortnight, I hope to tell you with certainty the day I shall sail from Dublin."

2537 **SIDNEY** (SIR HENRY, 1529-1586). Thrice Lord-Deputy of Ireland and President of Wales. Garrisoned Derry and crushed Shane O'Neill. Rebuilt Dublin Castle.

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Skeffington (Sir Lumley St. George)—*continued*.

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"Now Gentlemen and Ladies, if you please,
After these strange Mysterious Marriages;
To patronize a Frolic of my Scheming
(Because this Idle Hand is always Dreaming);
By way of something new and strange—we'll try
To make a Matrimonial Lottery.

Then they protest,
Marriage is but a Lottery at best.
So of the Sex, Sir Thomas More asserted,
And I've never heard the Axiom controverted
A Bag of Snakes containing one poor Eel
But we have Grigs and Congers in our Wheel." Etc.

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“ Upon the humble Petition of John Harrison setting forth that the foundations
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of several houses, tennem^{ts}, coach houses and stables situate in Dog Field, and Crab-tree field neere Pikadilly in the parish of St. Martyn in the fields and County of Middlesex were laid by the pet^r. before his Mat^y Proclamation for restoring buildings came forth in Aprill 1671. That he hath satisfied the Earle of Burlington and Mr. Surveyor Generall that the said buildings nor any of them wilbe of annoyance to his Maj^{ty} or others, and having engaged not to build more houses in the places aforesaid he humbly prayes his Maj^{ty} licence under the great Seale of England to finish his said respective houses, tennem^{ts}, coach houses and stables." Etc.

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"Upon that point I need say no more. But I may perhaps save some trouble to both of us by adding generally that your book owes nothing (so far as I can judge) to my suggestion derived directly or indirectly from me. . . ."

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"Mr. Culcheth and I, proposed to have had the pleasure of waiting on you at Latham to-morrow, but as the country hereabouts seems to be in a sort of a ferment, and a talk prevailing as if there was a design of seizing horses, Mr. Culcheth is afraid it may not be proper to stir abroad at this time." Etc.

"As Lord Bath was sitting down to write to you, he was call'd away, to assist at a Cabinet Council, which meets this evening, at the Duke of New Castle's Office, on the subject of the melancholy news brought by express this day from Scotland, of the Defeat, or rather Shamefull retreat of General Cope's Army.

"My Lord has therefore directed me to acquaint you (and he hopes you'll excuse his doing it this manner) that the particulars of this affair are not yet come to hand, but Sir John and Lord Loudon only waite in general, that last Saturday, by Daybreak, the Rebels attack'd him at Preston pans (a little place between Edinburgh and Dunbar, where he has two or three days before, landed his Troops

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from the North) and that on their first fire, Hamilton's and Gardiner's Dragoons fell back on his foot, put them in disorder, and that in the meantime, the Highlanders advanc'd with their Broadswords, and oblig'd the whole to take flight. The loss, My Lord says, General Cope does not mention, but whatever number may be taken prisoners, thinks there are but few killed.

"When the Highlanders got possession of the Town of Edinburgh, they took 22 piece of Cannon besides 1,500 Stand of Arms, this will add so much to their strength, that my Lord thinks, it may cause a great deal more blood to be spilt, than would otherwise have been, and they be longer before they are quell'd but does not believe, it can have any other bad consequences, because the three Battalions of Guards, and seven marching Regiments from Flanders, landed here yesterday, and are to be commanded by Generals Sigonier and Sulteney, and the six thousand Dutch, are all, by this time in England, and the first Division of those that Landed here, set out this morning for Lancashire, whither the second follows to-morrow." Etc.

"... We have been in the utmost Confusion, however, since Genl. Cope's defeat, as we expect to be plunder'd very shortly by the Highlanders. If the Gentls conduct in that engagement be represented at London as here he had better have shared the Fate of the most unfortunate of his Troops. Our Accts. from Scotld. to-day, tell us that the Rebels were in their Camp near Edinburgh yesterday morning, that the Highlanders have plunder'd very greedily since the Batle & a great many of them returned Home with the Booty. The Rebels call themselves 14,000, but our Correspondts. in Scotland don't think them quite so many; however, they are certainly a considerable body of very desperate Fellows & now completely armed."

"... Our advices reced. this Evening tell us that a Party of the Rebels consisting of 4,000 foot and 600 Horse is expected to march this day from Moffat where they have been since Thursday evening . . . and will probably be at Brampton to-morrow Evening. The Gates of Carlisle are walled up, the Custom house at Whitehaven is forsaken, and there are scarce 100^d People left in this Town. Gen^l. Wade wth. the main Body of his Army continues still at Newcastle. The Rebels are very industrious to prevent our getting any particulars of their Numbers and Motions so that our Intelligence is not quite so much to be depended on as formerly."

"I have only just time to acquaint you yt by an Express reced. here this Moment a Party of the Rebels consisting (as supposed) of 5000^d foot & 1000^d Horse were advanced within 4 miles of Carlisle at 10 o'clock this morning. Our Accts. say that this Party is to be joined by another Party wch. marched to Kelso & so proceed Southward. As these people march prodigiously quick they certainly may avoid Gen^l. Wade's army if they please, but one of their Quarter Masters taken Prison(er) by our Light horse yesterday says they'l not endeavour to avoid them. This Prisoner calls the Rebel's Army a very great one, but we hope he magnify's their Numbers in order to terrify us. As I shall be obliged to withdraw out of the Town this Morning I fear it will not be in my Power to write further on this subject till the Town be rid of these troublesome Visitors."

"As soon as I was assured that the Rebels had appeared before Carlisle I
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retired from Penrith & after various adventures came hither this Morning where a Gentleman sent amongst ye Rebels is just arrived. and tells us, that last Saturday sevv^l. considerable Parties of the Rebels appeared before Carlisle in Order (as supposed) to view the Ground & on Sunday the Town was encompass'd by a very large Army, the young Pretender sent a Letter into the Town, demanding admittance & threatening in case of Refusal to take the Place by Storm, but the Garrison (wh. by the bye consists only of our Militia, 80 Invalids & the Towns people) instead of entering into any Treaty began a very brisk Fire from their Canon wh. continued all that Night. On Monday Morning a Council of War was holden before the Young Pretender wherein it was resolved to leave the Place & march off in quest of Gen^l. Wade and accordingly abt. 11 o'clock the whole Army retired towds Brampton, but on Tuesday the Highlanders' having reced. no Pay for 7 or 8 days insisted that if Carlisle was not taken they wd. return home, and on that, it was resolved that a Part of the Army shd. be sent back for the Purpose and the Carpenters were immediately sent into Mr. Howard's Woods at Corby to cut all sorts of Trees necessary for raising the batteries, making Ladders. This Gentleman says he saw 2000^d Men draughted & begin their March to Carlisle yesterday morning, he tells us, that the Army is so dispersed that it is not possible for a Stranger to calculate their Numbers wth any tolerable certainty, but thinks that the Party detached to Carlisle was not a fifth Part of the men he saw. The Rebels told this Gentleman that they had only 13 Canon along wth. them." Etc.

"The Rebels began to make a Trench and erect some Batteries agt. Carlisle on Thursday & yesterday Morning were admitted into the Town. The Garrison is retired into the Castle wh. holds out yet but cannot reasonably be expected to do so long. I don't yet hear of any Capitulation for the Town, but as it surrender'd so soon hope there is one tho' I cannot help suspecting that the Rebels will be unwilling to grant Terms to the Town so long as the Castle holds out, we are told that the young Pretender is to make his entry into the City this afternoon.

"Our present Confusion & distress are inexpressible, all our Gentlemen are either Prisoners or fled for Fear of being made so, our whole Country plunder'd at Discretion, & the King's Army tho' it has laid within 50 miles of the Enemy ever since they came into our Country, has not given them the least Interruption. There's no doubt but that Marshal Wade is acting for the best, but I am sorry to tell you that our comon People construe by Caution an indifference for our Sufferings & from his behaviour, & the boldness of the Rebels, begin to have most dismal Apprehensions.

"I cannot yet get any probable Acct. of the Number of the Rebels, but the Cheifs have certainly psuaded all their Comon Soldiers that they are greatly superior to Marshal Wade & from their Proceedings it is more than probable that they really intend to fight him before they advance much further into England, but from the Marshal's not offering to stir to the Relief of our County, wh. I am sure is as loyal now as any in England, some people imagine yt. he does not intend to engage till Sigonier's Army comes up and before that time we shall certainly be stript of all we have."

"The Castle of Carlisle was surrender'd to the Rebels last Friday at 10 o'clock at Night to the great Mortification of all our Country. The Officers of the Militia were all taken Prisoners but discharged on delivering up their Arms & Horses & giving their Parole of Honr. never to bear Arms agt. the Pretender or

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any of his Family & the Private Men were to be released upon the same Terms, but sevell. of them are as yet detained Prisoners. All our Gentlemen were obliged to walk on Foot from Carlisle to Penrith. It is certain that this Town & Castle were at last most shamefully given up, the Rebels never having so much as fired one shot agt. either of them, how this hapned, it is not proper to say, the Officers blame the Towns people, & all the Comon Men, especially the Militia, insist that they would have defended the Town to the last Extremity & don't doubt but they cd. have held it out for some time if the Officers wd. have given any encouragement by their Example." Etc.

" On Thursday the young Pretender wth. about 4000^d Men came to Penrith & halted there till yesterday morning when he marched to Kendall. The Artillery wch. consists of abt. 16 Cannon reached Penrith on Friday at Noon & the rear of the Army the same night & all marched forward yesterday. We hear that they have left a small Garrison in Carlisle of abt. 120 Men on Pretence that they have a Party of 2000^d yet coming from Scotld. and they actually did send back from Penrith to Carlisle 20 Carts loaded with biscuit & cheese but yet we do not believe that they have any more behind except the 120 left in Carlisle. Our Penrith people have taken all possible Pains to learn their Numbers and by all their Accts. the whole Army marched forwd. does not amount to above 7000 effective Men." Etc.

" . . . On the 2d. Instant the Crews of two small French Privateers, consisting of 210 private men & 45 French Officers taken by Adml. Bing, were carry'd into Edinbr. Castle, but that 1500 French are actually landed at & near Montrose. That the Rebels are 4000^d strong at Dumblain, but it is hoped that they'l not be able to cross the Forth, because that Glasgow, Air & Urwin have raised 5000^d Men wch. are stopping all the Passages. That Ld. Loudoun is at Inverness at the Head of 5 independt Companies, 500 Mcleods, & some companies of Guise's Regimt & has hitherto had a great deal to do to keep his Neighbouring People quiet who threaten to rise agt. him, but is expected to march to join Genl.. Handasyde & Coll. Campbell as soon as the snow will permit him. The Argyleshire Men have got Arms & are rising in favour of the Government.

" We have this moment reced. an Acct. that the Rebels are in the South retreating towds. Scotld. by the Way they went so that we are really between two Fires & therefore it is more than probable that my stay at Home will be very short."

" My last acquainted you of the Rebels being at Macclesfield where they advanced to Leek and Ashburn, and from thence to Derby, at which place they have plunder'd (by receiving his Majesty's Duties, &c.) to the amount of 9 or 1000 pounds. From thence their advanced Guard went as far as Worsup Bridge near six miles behind Derby, where a party of the Duke's light Horse were aware of 'em; upon which they immediately alarm'd his Highness and he thereupon retreated with his whole Body as far as Lichfield, Coventry and Daventry, in order to get before the Rebels, and give 'em meeting about Northampton, as we are inform'd. The Rebels going with their advanc'd Guard as far as Worsup Bridge, we now have reason to imagine, with with no other design than to alarm our Army, and oblige 'em to do what they did, in order to give themselves sufficient time to retreat which they have since done and have took quite the same Rout back, as they did forward, and are this Morning at Garstang, from whence they go to Lancaster, where they'll

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Stuart Rebellion: Bootle (Sir Thomas)—*continued*.

be this Night. They have done much more mischief in their return than as they went; for they have been guilty of almost all things that are base excepting Fire and Murder. The Duke Kingston's Regiment Light Horse were last night at Wiggan, the Vanguard at Manchester, and the Duke with the Body at Macclesfield; so that most of the hopes we now have are, that Wade's army will be able to give 'em meeting before they get home, of which (I) shall give you the particulars as soon as they come to hand. The falling down (of) our Bridge has certainly saved us a visit from the Rebels, both backwards as well as forwards; and also has kept too our own Forces from coming to us likewise, which we account as a great piece of Providence." Etc.

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"The quality of mercy is not strained."

- 2601 **VICTOR AMADEUS II.** (1666-1732). King of Sardinia.

LETTER SIGNED TO GEORGE II, THEN THE PRINCE OF WALES.

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TO THE QUEEN OF FRANCE.

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A VERY FINE AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (IN FRENCH) TO MARIE AMELIE, THE QUEEN OF FRANCE.

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(Trans.) :—" . . . It is so great a pleasure to me, Madame, to have news and such good news of you *all*. Believe me, Madame, the souvenir of those days to both of us so dear, is for ever engraven on our hearts, and we think & we speak of them so often! We are most sincerely and respectfully devoted to you. . . .

"Our 3 children are wonderfully well, the little girl above all has made great progress, and is really very advanced for her age, little Albert has enormously gained in strength since his stay at the seaside, and is very vivacious, but he cannot speak distinctly; his passion for soldiers still continues. Alice is in a most flourishing condition, and very fat, and very gentle." Etc., etc.

The Princess Royal was born on 21st November, 1840, Prince Albert Edward on 9th November, 1841, and Princess Alice on 25th April, 1843.

2603 **VICTORIA.** Queen of Great Britain.

AUTOGRAPH LETTER (3RD PERSON) TO LORD HARDINGE.

1½ pp., 8vo. Windsor Castle, 10th June, 1856.

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- 2605 **VINER** (SIR ROBERT, 1631-1688). Lord Mayor of London.

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1½ pp., folio. 16th September, 1678.

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"About 5 & a halfe I gott safely hither God be prayd, & was there welcomed with y^e story of Mr. Wm. Em^{on} having kept guard with 6 others at Ickenham on ye comin & passing often by my doore to ye terrour of ye neighbourhood, visiting ye church & full of expectations of a wedding, sending hither this evening at 5—three of theire company who ptended they were recomended from a frd. of Jn. Nicholas his & one desiring to goe into ye house with this excuse, & this but halfe an hour or little more before I came, saying to sev^{ll}. I was expected to dinner in order to ye wedding, ye army yt. appeared were only seventy." Etc.

- 2606 **VOLTAIRE** (F. M. A. DE, 1694-1778). French Philosopher, Poet and Historian.

LETTER SIGNED TO MONSIEUR FABRI, MAYOR OF GEX.

1 page, 4to. Ferney, 3rd July, N.Y.

£4 4s

(Trans.): "The man in question must be very rich if he is not condemned, the malefactor appears very evident to me, and if the 'Intendant' of Burgundy had looked into the affairs himself instead of leaving it to others, I have no doubt that justice would have been done to the province." Etc.

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3 pp., 8vo. Paris, 1st July, 1861.

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Hearing that the management of the Ducal Theatre in Brunswick have been enquiring what fee he asks for the performance rights of "Tannhauser," he wishes his friend to inform them that his fee is 50 louis d'or, and that they would further have to pay the publisher separately for the copy of the score. Etc.

2609 **WAGNER** (RICHARD).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED.

2 pp., 8vo. Bayreuth, 1st October, 1879.

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As to an article he was writing for the Bayreuth newspaper.

(Trans.) :—" I am ready with the outlines of my open letter to you and am now working it up for print. My idea is to use the little pamphlet, as a supplement to the ' Bayreuth Leaves ' in 1,700 copies, and also in as many other papers as you consider advisable. The printing will be done here. I hardly think that the advantage which selling it through booksellers might have would outweigh the advantage to be gained from sending out gratis copies direct from you. I beg you, dear Friend, to decide about that as I cannot make up my mind whether, on the other hand, a public sale after a great deal of advertising might not be equally advantageous for disseminating it." Etc.

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Walpole, West, Gray and Ashton were known among their friends as the " Quadruple Alliance," each being distinguished by a pseudonym. Gray was known as " Orosmades," West as " Favonius," or " Zephyrus," Walpole as " Celadon," there being an uncertainty with regard to Ashton.

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Walpole (Horace, Earl of Orford)—*continued*.

"Mirandas Scripturæ Artes, expressaque Vocis
 Humanæ Simulacra cano; calamique fidele
 Officium, & magicæ vix muta Silentia chartæ.
 Hanc Cadmus primum, sic Famæ Creditur, Artem
 Extudit, & rudibus Signis Elementa Loquelæ
 Composuit: nondum Tabulis inducere Ceras
 In promptu fuit, aut inculto innotuit Orbi
 Membrana Attalica, & Nilo cognata Papyrus." Etc.

"Visendi studio Trojana Juventus
 Circumfusa ruit,
 Lampade Phœbeâ, Radiorum fonte perenni,
 Lux oritur, liquidumque levi cursu æthera tranat.
 Hinc derivatus, nostro transmittitur Orbi
 Omnigenus Color, & species nitidissima rerum:
 Hinc splendor Gemmarum, & florida Gratia Veris,
 Hinc Picturæ Nubes, & Tempia Tonantis
 Cærule; nempe Oculis fluidæ vis aurea lucis
 Plurima se effundit, textitque Coloribus Auras.
 Quæcunque aspicias, suavis se ostentat Imago;
 Omnia per Cælum, Terrasque atque Æquora Ponti
 Suaviter arident: Acies tamèn improba poscit
 Plura dari, nequeunt expleri Corda videndo." Etc.

CAROLINA. ECLOGA.

Hæc etiam, Carolina, Tuæ sint addita laudi
 Carmina, quæ solâ nymphæ fudère sub umbrâ
 Isiades, largoque impleverunt omnia fletu,
 Crudelem suavi fallentes carmine curam.

O! Quis Te potuit, Dea, Te, dulcissima, nobis
 Eripere, & caros æternum avertere vultus?
 Improba Mors! nec Te populi tetigère querelæ,
 Regia nec dolitura domus, lachrymæque decoræ
 Ameliæ, nec Te miseri suspiria Regis?
 Ah! nostra an tantos meruerunt crimina luctus?
 Dicite Vos, Nymphæ, Themisinæ, dicite, Nymphæ,
 Vidistisne illo quicquam crudelius unquam
 Tempore, quo moribunda toro Regina jaceret.
 Heu! lachrymis gemitûque sonabant omnia circum;
 Illa, nihil metuens, tantum spectabat ad ora
 Conjugis, aspectûque animam ponebat in ipso.
 Ah! non Ille graves longo post tempore curas,
 Aut desiderium memori de pectore mittet:
 At totos raptâ secum de conjugis soles
 Sæpe gemet, sæpe in somnis astare videbit
 Absentem: nec cara unquam labetur Imago." Etc.

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An extremely interesting letter written to a young friend recommending the waters of Bath; further concerning Malone and Dutens with regard to Ireland's forgeries of Shakespeariana; and concluding with an interesting reference to the French Convention. Walpole at the date of this letter was about 78 years of age.

" . . . Drench yourself thoroughly; wash away the seeds of your disorder, & conform to all the rules prescribed to the Drinkers of the Waters. Yr body & your mind too are very active, that I am sure you will but ill submit to such a tasteless insipid life as that of Bath. . . . I certainly speak most disinterestedly when I preach idleness to you—at my great age I most anxiously wish to see your Work completed. . . .

" You say you expect Mr. Malone; Dutens, who implicitly believes in all & every one of 'Ireland's' Shakespeariana, was here & told me that Mr. Malone is converted to them—but I don't believe all that a believer says. . . .

" This Region is not a whit more amusing than Bath; Richmond is deserted—but if I spoke fairly, I should sum up all my grievances in the absence of the Berrys; the natives of Twickenham are neither worse nor better than they have been for years. My Wives tell me how very obliging yr brother has been to them.

" All attention seems at bay, gazing at what will be the event of that unparallel'd impudence of the French Convention which you mention, attempting to perpetuate themselves by force. It is so outrageous, that one hopes it will have some at least of the consequences it ought to have! When they have run every possible race of wickedness, barbarity & villainy." Etc.

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Concerning Pennant's Tract on the Patagonians, and speaking most pathetically of himself, also mentioning that his father's memory was much dearer to him than the greatest rarity.

" . . . I do not remember what my last letter was, but am very sorry if it gave you any cause to think that I am not gratefull for all your favours. My age & Decay might be in fault, not my Intention. Of them & of my perishing memory I am very sensible; and they have brought on, not only indolence, but a fear of trusting to my Recollection. I have very little knowledge but of Trifles; and

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Walpole (Horace, Earl of Orford)—*continued.*

not refreshing that idle store, I cannot depend on myself, & therefore am cautious lest I mislead others. . . . I am conscious of my defects, but Ingratitude is not of the number. . . .

"I do not know whether Col. Mydleton told you Sr what a valuable present he has been so kind as to send me of the picture of Prince Arthur & Q. Katherine . . . his desiring a portrait of my Father in return, & the letter I had since had the pleasure of receiving from him, are favours still more gratefull to me than the picture, curious as it is, for my Father's memory is much dearer to me than the greatest rarity."

- 2613 **WANLEY** (HUMFREY, 1672-1726). Antiquary. Assistant in the Bodleian Library, Oxford. Librarian to the 1st and 2nd Earls of Oxford. His correspondence in the British Museum and the Bodleian.

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"As there is no Salary annex'd to this Station I can safely say that I am not desirous of it for Profits sake; but only, that I might be in a better capacity of serving my country."

- 2614 **WARD** (SETH, 1617-1689). Bishop of Salisbury, also an Astronomer and Mathematician. President of Trinity College, Oxford. Severe against Dissenters. Chancellor of the Garter.

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Written as Chancellor of the Garter; congratulating Viscount Osborne; and then continuing:—

" . . . My Lord! I have by his Mties grace and favour (in right of the Brig of Sarum) the hon^r to hold the place of Chancellr of the most noble order of the Garter. By virtue of w^{ch} office I am obliged to receive (and acct for) a Revenue granted by K. Ch. the I. and continued by his present M^{tie} for the discharge of the expense relating to the most noble Order, for payment of salaries of the Officers of the Garter, and allowances of the poor Knights of Windsor of the Royal foundation." Etc.

- 2615 **WARREN** (SAMUEL, 1807-1877). Novelist.

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4 pp., 8vo. Inner Temple, 28th October, 1851.

18s

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EDITOR OF SHAKESPEARE.

1 page, 4to. Oxford, 15th February, 1790.

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"I have just heard from my brother, who wishes you to place two guineas to his name, on account of Johnson's Monument. I will beg the favour of you to place the same sum to mine.

"Sir W. Davenant ought to have been inclosed. But . . . the Transcriber has many impediments. You shall have the Transcript by the end of the week."

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" 'Tis not the design of this writing to carry on a quarrel with you. It has been my frequent prayers & it will be my joy to see your temper suited to your work, & to hear that you imply your studys & your style for ye support of truth and Godliness in ye spirit of the Gospel, that is, in the spirit of meekness & love." Etc.

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" The bookseller's shop is exactly suited to the Company and contains nothing for a man's reading except a parcel of French tracts agt. religion, which is a subject that tires me as much as school divinity. If I were to form a library of my own I should with strict impartiality cast out every book that has been written in the defence and in the attack of religion, and my theological shelves should contain only a large Family Bible and Prayer Book with a . . . este profani to Voltaire, . . . the Fathers and all the Doctors of the Church. I have received your Russian Treaty." Etc.

- 2623 **WELLESLEY** (RICHARD COLLEY, MARQUIS, 1760-1842). Governor General of India.

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2624 **WELLS** (CHARLES J., 1799-1879). Poet. Wrote "Joseph and his Brethren."

AUTOGRAPH LETTER SIGNED (INITIAL) TO MR. W. S. WILLIAMS, OF SMITH, ELDER & CO., THE PUBLISHERS.

4 pp., 8vo. 4th November (1874).

£4 10s

A long and intensely interesting letter written from France and mainly concerning the manuscript of his "Joseph and his Brethren," which Swinburne proposed to publish, also mentioning Rossetti in connection therewith. The letter is penned in a humorous vein. The book was eventually published by Swinburne through Chatto & Windus in 1876.

" . . . You announce to me that a Mr. Algernon . . . borne, I can't unscibble the rest . . . du reste, 'what is there in a name,' proposed to publish Joseph very old; but grown older still under my hands and sooth to say—forgotten! 'As to ranking among the Poets,' The days of idle ambition are past: and I would sell you all my fame for 2d., but there are some ideals worthy the goodness and greatness of God in that poem. It is the reason why I should wish it to be published in my proper name. It is the only reason why I consent.

"If I could hope to be on the Civil list as a Veteran—Houghton and become 'passing rich with 20£ a year,' it would be a material fame I could well understand—as it is I have no other excuse in my old horse- (read ass) days to give, for appearing in print except the one I have just given you.

"As to your question—you ask if I consent—oh, Jemima—Yes; and you speak about the copy these gentn. have in hand, which does not resemble the one in print. . . I am rather intrigued because there never existed but two copies, the one from which the Poem was printed, hurried, hasty and Juvenile and full of faults. The other a carefully reviewed manuscript with additions got up by me and the Darling some 10 or 12 years ago and sent to Emily to try and get Rossetti to return on his decision offered for the first MS., and illustrate for publication, but he refused and the MS. remained in Emilie's hands. . . .

"Now you observe that the copy or MS., you don't say which, these Gentn. have in hand, is not the same as the printed copy.

"It is essential for me to know whether it is, or not, the MS. of Emily, if so, it is alright, and good to be published, except my usual dose of bad grammar and spelling. . . .

"I am disposed to think it is that of Emily's, because I can't account for the difference of text of that in the hands of these Gentn. and the original copy. Tho' I don't see any means by which it cd. get from her hands to theirs. As to the stories being published with it—No; by no means—and I hold to Joseph being printed in my own name.

"We did not keep any copy of the revised MS., but any other than the original or first printed, is the right one; for we never sent but that one to Rossetti if they have not recopied and embellished it." Etc.

2625 **WELLS** (CHARLES J.).

AUTOGRAPH LETTER TO MR. W. S. WILLIAMS, OF SMITH, ELDER & CO., THE PUBLISHERS.

4 pp., 8vo. 23rd May (1875).

£1 15s

Concerning the MS. of "Joseph and his Brethren"; the letter is written in a humorous vein, and is quite complete, although unsigned, concluding with the word "adieu."

" . . . You ask me how is your Revision of Joseph!!—exactly where it was!!

" On the rect. of your last I wrote to you . . . to request you to tell me 'If you could ascertain from these Gent^l when would be the time that the MSS. would be required.' That if it was too delicate a question to be put—to let me know by your own experience when it was probable they would be disposed to expect it according to the publishing seasons. . . .

" You now write me to say 'Joseph is progressing,' if you mean by that—that time is going on I understand it vaguely—otherwise how a publisher, who is, however, capable of anything, can be progressing with a MSS. which he does not yet possess—perhaps you mean to ask this as a question of me." Etc., etc.

Blank bottom portion of second leaf has been neatly repaired; it had evidently been cut out by Wells himself, as the letter is quite complete.

TO HORACE WALPOLE.

2626 **WEST** (RICHARD, 1716-1742). Poet. Friend of Thomas Gray. Died at the early age of 26 years.

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Two of the letters contain poems in the text, one being upon the thatched house in which the Walpole's lived at Richmond.

" . . . Suffer then my poor little desponding letter to make its appearance before all like a ghost wrapt up in a white sheet, and to make its apology thus—

" You say I have an aversion to Statius, & Statius surely is an honourable
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West (Richard)—*continued.*

man, and even his enemies must confess he has some perfections: But could you think I meant to wound you thro' the Sides, or could I dream of your dear Pegasus, when I abused Domitian's horse.

"Moreover, you treat me as a dreamer of dreams, and you call me by the heathenish name of Watteau, & you say I write down my false insomnia, & all that; if that be the case I am absolved already, for dreams you know always go by contraries; so that Statius has no longer any occasion to complain of Sleep.

"But to wave this plea, surely you are not so far of Quarle's opinion, as to think crimes committed actual sins; if so many a virgin has dreamed away her virginity. And now, to end like an Orator with a curious peroration,

"O pardon, pardon a distempered mind;
 Mercy's the sweetest attribute of heaven.
 Forget, forgive—Humanity may err—
 I've injured Statius. I have wronged his muse,
 And I have suffered—Oh my Celadon!
 Shall one rash dream, th' infirmity of sleep,
 Throw down the merit of my waking hours?
 Damn'd visionary curse! so fares the wretch,
 Whose sleep-beguiled hand stabbed his poor sire,
 And waking finds despair—forget, forgive—
 My dreams are guilty, but my heart is free. . . .

I must ask a few questions. Are you to travel soon? is Orosmales defunct? does Almanzor exist? is the divine Plato alive? what sort of a thing is Tydeus?" Etc.

"Methinks I need not doubt long, who wrote either poem: they sufficiently discover each their parent, the characteristic marks are upon them; and this point settled, all prejudice of friendship apart, which is best, may more easily be determined—*micat inter ignes Luna minores.*

"I own the Planetary poet's thoughts are sometimes as pretty, as his expressions are easy; but, I should apprehend, his bent is more to Humour than Poetry; I wish too he were more correct; perhaps there may be something laughable enough in his tale of the Gibbosus homuncio, in his reflection about Mercury's planet, o felix Senibus Sedes! & in his thought about the Solar inhabitants all bedew'd with Salamander-water, but, to venture my opinion, is there not something wild, low, & unphilosophical in those ideas, & I may say altogether unworthy of the more serious spirit of his fellow-poet. The lines of his, which are perhaps least taken notice of & which I like best, are these,

*In quibus halantes herbæ, fontesque, sonori,
 Et Sylvæ campos ditant; munitaque circum
 Oppida, cumque suis consurgunt mœnibus urbes,*

which make a pretty groupe of Images enough, & after them the final lines about Galileo. Tu primus olympi &c. where you may observe the *Et Sine Thessalico* &c. to be the same thought as *G—y's*, *neu crede ad magicas te in invitum accingier artes.*

"The confidence I have in your discretion may excuse the great freedom of my Criticism, so I will proceed with great sagacity & acuteness. Well then! in the Lunar poem I find more of a design, & something besides a series of Hexametres; I need not add it is writ in quite a different strain from the other piece. However being so young a bard I wd. advise him not to fetch such midnight walks with his Goddess Muse; Scandal may ensue, & folks will talk: *dulce est per aperta*, 't is so, *vere frui dulce est*—to be sure, but why frui? and sub umbrâ too? o fy! nay his

West (Richard)—continued.

muse grows jealous, & calls him forsooth an Endymion—as infidele Cavaliero della Luna! I am afraid your Cambridge criticasters (excuse the word) may again object to him his bawdry & obscenity—but seriously—from Ecce autem to se vertere flammas is very pretty & philosophical, & something better than the Gibbosus homuncio, the next lines as far as—propriique, crepuscula cæli—I much admire & envy. The Et dubitas tantum &c. as far as Quin, Ubi nos &c. brings Anchises to my mind in 6th Æneid, & has that peculiar energy & conciseness of Charming Virgil. Then down to nostrâ se jactat in aulâ—I no less like—especialy, Albescens pater Apenninus ad auras, & the parvulus Anglia nævus, aliis longè fulgentior, alluding I suppose, to our Island's late candentia saxa, and then the certatimque suo cognomine signant, is very concise & natural. The last thought about our sending colonies to the Moon I have some scruples about, as being a little satirical! at least it conveys satire to my apprehension, & his close of, Victis dominabitur auris, is at best a very squinting panægyric.

“ I have thought of this subject so long, & the Moon & planets have run in my head so much since I received yours, that I deem it not improper to send you a dream, I had concerning the Lunar territory, but the night before last.” Etc.

“ . . . T'is now 3 weeks almost since I saw you at Richmond; you desir'd me then to write something upon your Thatchet house, and I have done it; I believe, you little expected that the consequence of a request made out of pure civility would have been so long a poem. As it is, I wish it may amuse you one half hour. I am going in a fortnight's time to Oxford.

“ Stranger! whosoere you be,
Deign to enter; tho' you see
All above the moss-grown shed
With stubble vile & straw o'erspread,
Still beneath a mean outside
Inward graces oft reside.
Expect not here the glare of State
No Persian loom, no splendid plate,
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Rare ornaments of Greece or Rome;
But if such simple soft repose
A Hermit in his grotto knows,
If calm Philosophy, if Ease.
And Nature's rural face can please,
Awhile, from this rude spot of ground
Let us view the fair Scene round.” Etc.

“ Comme nous avons entendu par notre fidel & bon ami Thomas Ashton, que vous, Tho. Gray & Hor. Walpole, nos anciens & bienaimez alliés, vous êtes fâchés un peu, de ce que nous n'avons pas écrit ce long tems, ni à l'un ni l'autre, & que vous le considerez tous deux comme un contrevention de nôtre amitié, Nous de notre bonne volonté promettons pour le futur d'être plus exacts en nôtre correspondence, & parceque nous avons envie de continuer la paix & la tranquillité, qui ont été de tout tems entre nous trois, nous sommes resolu en plein conseil de vous demander pardon, & au lieu que nous pouvions nous plaindre de vous à nôtre tour, & rejeter la faute sur vous, à la mode Espagnole, nous au contraire, pour donner à l'Europe un

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exemple de nôtre moderation, avouons que nous sommes coupables, & vous prions, de nous continuer votre amitié, & correspondance."

"I did not long for the King's arrival, so much as I do for yours. Ashton never sees me, but he tells me you are coming, and so he has prevented my writing two or three times, but now I mind him no longer & I begin not to expect you till you have compleated your two years. But, be that as it will, t'is high time you should return, for, in the first place, you seem a little tired of seeing sights, and in the next place you have a great inclination to represent Steyning, & in the third place, you long prodigiously to see me, & Miss Conway. . . .

"You & Gray have done Bondelmonte a great deal of Honour, by turning his Italian into Latin & English. I begun it in Flemish, but miscarried. I begun thus,

"L'Amour c'est un vray Protée. But I could not go on, for fear I should spoil Love, in his French Dress, & to make it too evident that he was not sèmpre l'istesso, by the by Ashton translated this part into Greek . . . but I believe he never begun it no more than I finish't it. . . .

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